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lippi & Marie.

# Actes made at a Par-

liament begon & holden at West-  
minster the eleventh day of November, in the  
first and seconde yere of the raigne of our Souer-  
eigne Lord and Lady, Philip and Mary by the  
grace of God, Kyng and Queene of Englande,  
France, Naples, Hierusalem, and Irelande, de-  
fenders of the fayth, Princes of Spaine, & Sci-  
cile, Archdukes of Austria, Dukes of Millaine,  
Burgundye & Brabant, Countes of Hauipurge,  
Flandres & Tyrol, And there continued and  
kept, untill the dissolution of the same,  
being the 1<sup>st</sup> day of Januarye then  
next ensuing, were enac-  
ted as foloweth.

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*Cum privilegio Regie  
Maiestatis.*

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## An Acte touching Letters patentes and other writtings to be signed

by the Queenes Maestie.

### The first Chapter.



HERE in the Parliament begun  
and holden at Westmynster, the se-  
conde day of April, in the fyfth yere  
of the reigne of our moste dread and  
gracious Soueraigne Ladys the  
Queenes Maestie, and there con-  
tinued and kept till the dissolution of  
the same, being the fyfth day of May,  
then next following, this Acte was  
made touching certaynes of her high-  
nes moste noble matings, in the which  
Acte amongst other thinges it was

enacted, ordeed, & established by the auctorite of the said parliament,  
that al and singuler giftes, grauntes, letters patentis, exchanges, con-  
firmacions, leases, and other writtings, which after the said matings,  
and during the same should passe and be made, of any benefices, offi-  
ces, landes, revenues, and tenures, or of any of them, shoulde be enstea-  
led and made in the names of our Soueraigne Lord the kynge, and  
of her moste excellent highnes, whether his Maestie should be present  
within the realmes and dominions of her highnes, or without any of  
them, or absent: And that the same giftes, grauntes, letters patentis, ex-  
changes, confirmacions, leases, & other writtings, so set forth & made,  
shoulde be sealed, and signed with the signe manuel of her highnesse;  
and the same so signed, & sealed with the great seale of this realme, or  
with such seale as hath ben accustomed, shoulde be by auctorite of  
the said parliament, demed, admytted, declared, & pronounced, to be  
as good, perfect, and of like force, strength, and effect in the lawe, to al  
intentis, constructions and purposes, against our said Soueraigne  
Lord and Lady, the king & the Queenes Maesties, and her highnes  
heires and successors, as if her Maestie had ben at the time of the  
making therof sole & unmarried: and that al giftes, grauntes, letters  
patentes, exchanges, confirmacions, leases & other writtings, which  
after the said matings, and during the time of the same, shoulde passe  
and be made of the said benefices, offices, landes, revenues, & tenures,  
or of any of them wherunto the signe manuel of her highnes shoulde  
not be set, made, or put, shoulde by the auctorite of the said parliament

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from time to time demed, adioyged, accepted, taken, and decyded, to be of no force, effect, nor to be fully frustrate and void in the lawe, all intences, constructions, & purposes, the sayde marriage, or in any law, usage or custome to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding, as by the sayde acte more at large both appeare.

Since the making of which statute, and the solemnization of the said marriage, & Queenes most excellent maiestie hath ben greatly molested, greued, & troubled with often signing of letters patentes, gifts, graunts, eschaunges, leases, & other writings, concerning and touching benefices, offices, landes, revenues, and frutes, made and graunted by, and from our said soueraigne lord the kyng and her highnes, to sundry of their most louing subjects, to whom also it hath ben, and is, no small charge to attend, vntill suche time as they may procure and obtayne the signe manuel of her highnes, vnto their said letters patentes, gifts, graunts, eschaunges, confirmations, & leases, without which signe the same are utterly void by force of the said statute, to the great daunger, losse, and utter vndoing of diuers persons, that haue lately bought, purchased or obtained of our said soueraigne lord & lady, the kyng and Queenes maiesties, diuers landes, tenements, and other hereditaments to their great costes & charges.

For remedy wherof, be it enacted by the authoritie of this present parliament, that the sayde braunch or article touching or concerning only the signing of letters patentes, gifts, graunts, eschaunges, confirmations, leases, or of other writings, for any landes, benefices, offices, revenues, frutes, or other hereditaments, shall be from henceforth utterly repelled and made frustrate & void, to all intences & purposes.

And be it further enacted by authoritie of this present parliament, that all and singular letters patentes touching or concerning any gift, graunt, eschaunge, confirmation, lease, or other writing, the whiche sithen our said marriage hath passed, and ben made of any benefices, offices, manours, landes, tenements, revenues, frutes, liberties or other hereditaments, or of any of them, in the names of our moste noble soueraigne lord and lady, the kyng and the Queenes maiesties (the warrant or writing, or warrantes or writings wherof be ing signed with her highnes signe manuel, in suche forme, order and degree, as the same heretofore haue ben accustomed to be signed, when her highnes was sole and unmarried) shall be by auctoritie of this present parliament, of the same like force, strength and effect in the lawe, to all intences, constructions and purposes, as yf the same were or had ben signed by her highnes signe manuel: and as if her maiestie had ben at the time of the making thereof sole and unmarried, and as they were before the making of the sayde acte, & the said statute, or any braunch, or article therein contained to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

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An Acte for the reformation of excoesse in apparel.

## The seconde Chapter.

**B**E it enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that no person borne within this realme, or the dominions of the same, other then the son and heire apparent of a knight, or other then such as may dispense xx. li. by the year in landes, offices, fees, or other perquisites, or revenues for terme of yere, or be worth in goodes two. C. li. shall after the first day of Aprill next commynge, weare any manner of silke, in, or vpon his hat, bonnet, highcap, gaudy tabbard, hose, shoes, or spurre leathers, vpon payne of thre monethes imprisonment, and forfeitures of x. li. for euery dayes wearinge contrary to the tenor of this acte.

And be it further enacted by the authority aforesayd, that Justices of Assises, in theyr circuits, Justices of peace, in theyr sessions, Sheriffes in theyr turnes, Stewardes in leres and lawe dayes, Bayliffs, Sheriffes, and Bayliffs of cities, Boroughes, and Townes corporate in theyr courtes, shall and may enquire, heare and determine from time to time, all and euery the sayd offences, committed, or done within the limittes of theyr severall iurisdiccions and authorities; and where any such forfeitures shall happen to be founde within the precincts of any Citie, Borough, Towne corporate, lere, or lawe day, then the Mayor, Sheriffe, or Bayliff of the said Citie, Borough, or Towne, and owner of the sayde lere or lawe dayes, so haue the sole moitie of the sayde forfeitures, and the other moitie to be to any subjecte of this realme that will sue for the same, in any court of record by action, information, bill, or other writ in which no wager of law, protection, or essoine shalbe allowed: And where such forfeiture shalbe founde out of any citie, borough, town, lere or lawe day, that the moitie of al such forfeitures shalbe to the king and queene, their heires, and the heires of the Queene, and the other moitie thereof to any of theyr subjectes, that will sue for the same by bill, plaint, action, information, or other wise, in any court of record as is aforesayd, in which no wager of law, protection, or essoine shalbe admitted or allowed. And that al and euery such person and persons, as haue authority by vertue of this acte, to heare and determine the premises, may vpon the conviction of euery such offender, awarde proces vnto the Sheriffe of any Shire within this realme, for the apprehension of the sayd offender, which being apprehended, shalbe committed by the Sheriffe vnto the gaole of the sayde Shire, there to remayne without bayle or maynpryse, vntill the sayde offendour hath payde the forfeiture wherein he is so convicted.

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And be it further enacted by thauuthoritie aforesayde, that if any person or persons, of what estate, condition, or degree soeuer he or they be, after the sayd first day of Aprill next commyng, knowyng any seruauant or seruantes of his or theyrs to offend contrary to this acte, do not put the same out of his or theyr seruice, but shall kepe in his or theyr seruice, the same offendour or offendours by the space of xiiii. dayes next after such knowledge had, or els beyng so put out of his or theyr seruice, shall retayne the same offendour or offendours to his or their seruice againe, within one yere next ensuing the tyme of comitting of any such offence, the same person or persons, so heping or retaying againe in, or to his or theyr seruice, any such seruauant or seruantes offending contrary to the tenor of this acte, as is aforesayde, shall for every his or theyr offence forfeit .C.li. of lawfull money of England, the moitie whereof to be to the Kyng and Queenes maiesties hse, and the heires and succellours of the Queene, and the other moitie to him that will sue for the same in any court of recorde, by action, byll, plaint, information, or other wyse, wherein no wager of lawe, eschoigne or protection shalbe admitted or allowed.

Provided alwaye and be it enacted that this acte, or anye thyng therein contayned, shall not extende to any person beyng of, or aboue the degree of a knyghtes sonne or daughter, or beyng wyfe to anye of them, nor to such as haue ben, be, or shalbe Mayor, Bayliffe, Alderman or head officer in any Citie, Borough, or Towne corporate, or to the wyfe of any of them, nor to any of the Kinges or queenes seruantes in ordinarie wages, attendaunt, and wearyng the Kinges or Queenes ordinarie surries, but that they and euery of them, may hse and weare, as they or any of them myght lawfully hse and weare before the making of this acte.

Provided also that no person shalbe compelled by this acte, to put away his prentice or hyred seruauant before the ende of the terme before agreed betwene them, nor that any maister shal forfeite or lose any payne or forfeiture for the heping of his prentice or hyred seruauant after his offence, contrary to this acte, vnto the ende of the terme before agreed betwene them. Any thyng abouesayde to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that women may weare in theyr cappes, hattes, gowdes, and hoodes, as they or any of them might hse and weare lawfully before the making of this acte.

An Acte agaynst seditious wordes and rumours.

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Where it is conteyned as wel in the Statute of the first, as in the statute made at Glocestre the second yere of the reigne of King Richard the seconde, that no man should be so hardy to conuenge, speake, or tell any false newes, lyes, or other such lyke false thyngs to Prelates, Dukes, Earles, Barons, and other Nobles and Peeres of this realme, or of the Chancellour, Treasurer, Clarke of the priuie seale, Steward of the Kings household, Iustices of the one banche or of thother, or of any of the great officers of this realme. And that every such offender should be taken and imprisoned vntill suche tyme as he had brought hym or them forth to the same the same. And where also at a parliament holden at Cambridge in the .xii. yere of the reigne of the sayde King Richard, it was also enacted, that where any such offender, as is aforesaid, should be taken and imprisoned, and could not finde hym of whom he heard those newes which he spake, as is aforesayde, that then the same speaker should be punished by the advice of the counsell, as by the same law amongst other moze playnely do and may appeare.

Be it enacted by the auctorite of this present parliament, that all and every the sayde former actes and statutes shalbe and remaine in theyr full force, strenght and effecte to all intentes, constructions and purposes. And further that Iustices of peace in every Shyre, Citie, and towne corporate, within the limittes of theyr seuerall commissions, shall by auctorite of this present act, haue full power to examine, heare, and determine the causes abovesayde, in the sayde two first actes specified, and to put the sayde two first statutes and other byawiche in them conteyned in due execution, that from henceforth condigne punishment be not deferred from such offenders.

And forasmuche as diuers and sundry malicious and enuy disposed persons maliciously, seditiously, rebelliously, and vnnaturally, contrary to the duetie of theyr fidelities and allegiaunces haue now of late not only imagined, inuented, practised, spoken and spread abroade diuers and sundry false, seditious and slanderous newes, rumors, saynges, and tales agaynst our moste dread Soueraigne lord and kyng, and agaynst our moste naturall Soueraigne lady and queene, and agaynst eyther of them, of whom we are forbidden to thinke euill, and much moze to speake euill, whiche offence soundeth and is as well to the great dishonour, reproche and slander of their most excellent maiesties, as also to the great slander of this their realme, and other theyr dominions, but also haue deuised, made, written, printed, published and set forth diuers heynous, seditious, and slanderous wytynges, rymes, ballades, letters, papers, and bookes, intending and practising thereby to moue and stirre seditious disorde, dissention and rebellion within this realme, to the greates

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perill and danger of the same. For anoyding wherof, be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that yf any person or persons, after the xx. day of february next ensuyng, and after open proclamation made of this acte, shal maliciously, of his or theyr imagination, speake any false, seditious, and slanderous newes, rumours, sayngs, or tales of our said soueraigne lord and king, or of our sayd most naturall soueraigne lady and queene, that then all and euery suche person and persons so offendyng, being thereof convicted or attainted, in forme hereafter in this acte expessed, shal for euery syst of fenne, in some market place within the shyre, citie, or borough, where or nere unto the place where the sayde wordes were or shalbe so spoken, be set openly upon the pillory, by the Sherriffe or his ministers, if it shal fortune to be without any citie or towne corporate. And yf it happen to be within such citie or towne corporate, then by the principal officer or officers of such citie or towne corporate, or his or theyr ministers, and there to have both his eares cutte of, unlesse he paye one hundredth pounde to the king and queenes highnesse vnto, within one moneth next after iudgement geuen of his sayde offence, and also shal suffer imprisonment, by the space of three monethes after such his or theyr execution.

And it is lykewyse enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that all and euery person and persons, which after the sayde day, and after proclamation made of this acte, shal maliciously speake any false, seditious, and slanderous newes, rumours, or tales, to the slander and reproche of our sayde soueraigne lord the king, or of our sayde most naturall soueraigne lady the queene, of the speaking or reporting of any other, that then all and euery suche person or persons so speaking and reporting, being thereof convicted or attainted, in forme hereafter in this acte expessed, shal for euery suche offence in some market place, within the shyre, citie, borough, or towne, where or nere unto the place where the sayde wordes were or shalbe so spoken and reported, be set openly upon the pillorie by the sherriffe or his ministers, if it shal fortune to be without any citie or towne corporate; and yf it shal happen to be within anye citie or towne corporate, then by the principal officer or officers of such citie or towne corporate, or his or theyr ministers, and there to have one of his eares cut of, unlesse he paye one .C. markes to the kinges and queenes highnesse vnto, within one moneth next after iudgement geuen of his saide offence, and also shal suffer imprisonment by the space of one moneth after his or theyr execution.

And be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesaide, that yf anye person or persons shal after the sayde daye, and after proclamation made as is aforesaide, maliciously deuise, write, print, or set forth any manner of booke, ryme, ballade, letter, or wrytyng, contraynyng any false



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laste matter, clause of sentence of slander, of reproch, and dishonour  
of the king and queenes majesties, or of either of them, or to the enco-  
raging, hurrying, or moving of any insurrection, or rebellion, within  
this realme, or any dominions belonging to the same. And whoso-  
ever shall maliciously procure any such books, tracts, ballade, letter,  
or writing, written, printed, or set forth, and the same offence not  
being punishable by the Statute made in the xxvi. year of the reign  
of king Edward the third, concerning treasons or declaration of trea-  
son, that then and in every such case the offender, and offenders thereof  
in after his or their conviction or attaynder, shall for his or their said  
offence, in some market place within a city, or borough, where  
the said offence is or shalbe committed or done by the benefit of his  
ministers, if it shall fortune to be without any citie or towne corpor-  
ate, and if within such citie or towne corporate, then by the prin-  
cipall officer, or officers of such citie or towne corporate, or by his, or  
their ministers, have his, or their right hande stricken off.  
And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd, that if any  
person or persons, being lawfully convicted of any of the offences  
aforesayd, now provided to be punished by the execution of losses of  
eye, eares, or hand as is aforesayd, do after wardes feloniously offend  
in any of the offences aforesayd, that then he or they so offending  
shall suffer imprisonment during his or their lives, without bayle  
or mainpryse, and forfeite and lose to the king and queenes majesties  
all his or their goodes and cattels.

And be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesayd, that all Justices of  
oyer and terminer within the limits of their commission, Justices  
of assise in the severall circuites, Justices of gaole delivery, and Ju-  
stices of peace, as well within the liberties as without, within the li-  
mits of their severall commissions in their generall sessions, or other  
sessions, which they or two of them, whereof one of them to be of the  
Quorum, may and shall appoint at the pleasure, where and when  
nede shal require, shal by vertue hereof have full power and auctho-  
ritie to enquire, heare and determine, all and every the offences aforesayd  
as in cases and trial of felonye. And that the party indicted and  
arraigned, shall have advantage of al manner of challenges to the Ju-  
ry (peremptory challenge onely except) as in trial of felonye.

And also that every Justice of peace within the limits of his com-  
mission, shall have full power and auctoritie to commit any person  
being vehemently suspected of any of the said offences, to ward, there  
to remayne without bayle or mainpryse, untill he shalbe delivered  
accordyng to this acte.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayd,  
that no manner of person or persons, shalbe molested, or impeached for  
any of the offences, concerning speakyng or reportyng as is aforesayd.

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unless he or they thereof accused & convicted within three monethes next after his or their offence so committed or done: and in case any person shalbe imprisoned for any of the saide offences concerning speaking or reporting, and not thereof convicted, within three monethes next after the offence supposed to be by him done and committed, that then the person so imprisoned shalbe let at libertie, and no longer deteyned in prison.

Provided also, & be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that every such Mayor, Bailiffs, and other head officer and officers of cities, boroughs & townes corporate, which have or hereafter shall have jurisdiction and auctoritie, within the severall limits of thes office or offices, to holde & kepe sessions as justice or justices of the peace, shall & may by auctoritie hereof, as wel arrest and commit to ward, all and every person and persons being hebeniently suspected of any of the offences aforesaid: as also to procede to the execution, hearing and determining of every of the sayde offences, and to see, and make due execution therof, according to the purport, meaning and effect of this present acte: any thing in the same acte heretofore made to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, that the saide Justice of peace, as well within liberties as without, the whiche shall for any the offences aforesayde, commit any person or persons to ward, as is aforesayd, shall within ten dayes next after such committing, with one other justice, where of one of them to be of the Quorum, direct their precept to the Sheriffe or Sheriffes of the countie where the offence shalbe committed, or to other ordinarie officer, if it be within any citie, or towne corporate, where the Sheriffe can not intromit: commaunding hym or them by the same inpanell, and retourne, as they shall assigne, cristen, good and lawfull men of his or their bayliwike, or wapentakes, to enquire of the saide offence or offences, the whiche any such person or persons shalbe so imprisoned for: And therupon, within one moneth after the date of the sayd precept, to procede and determine, as above is expressed. Every one of the same Justices, upon payne of x. li. to be payde to the King and Queenes highnes, as often as they shalbe founden in default of any of the same.

Provided also, and be it enacted, that this acte shalbe proclaimed in all the shires within this Realme, before the .xii. day of february next commynge, to the intent that all persons may have notice thereof, and avoide the perill and damage that might ensue by offending agaynst the same. And this acte to be only in force, untill the ende of the next parliament, and no longer.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that none of the peeres of this Realme shalbe arrested or imprisoned for any of the same offences, but only by order or commaundement given

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geuen from the King and Queenes priue counsaile, or of the heyres of the Queene, and that the sayd peares, and every of them, that shall hereafter fortune to be indicted of any thoffences aforesayde, shall be tryed by their peares, as befoze hath ben accustomed in cases of treason or felony.

¶ An Acte for the punishment of certayne persons calling them selues Egyptians.

## ¶ The. iiii. Chapter.



Here in a parliament holden at westminster in the xxiiij. yere of the raigne of our late Soueraigne Lorde Kyng Henry thevght (for the alloydng and banyschyng out of this realme of certayne outlandishe people, calling them selues Egyptians, blyng no craft nor feate of marchaundises for to liue by, but going from place to place in great companies, blyng great, suttle, and craftye meanes to deceaue the kynges Subiectes, bearing them in hand, that they by palmistry coulde tell mens and womens fortune: and so many times by craft and subteltie deceaue the people of their money, and committed dyuers greate and heynous fellonys and robberies, to the great hurt and disceit of the people:) It was amongst other thinges then enacted, that from the time of the making of the sayde Acte, no suche personnes shoulde be suffered to come within this the kynges realme, vppon payne of forseynture to the kyng al their goodes and cattels, and them to be commaunded to auoyde the realme within. xvj. dayes next after the commaundement vppon payne of imprisonment: And such persons calling them selues Egyptians, as then were within this realme, shoulde depart within. xvi. dayes next after proclamation of the sayde Acte, vppon payne of imprisonment and forseynture of all their goodes and cattels, with diuers other clauses and articles conteyned in the sayde act, as by the sayd act more at large it appereth. Forasmuch as diuers of the sayd company, and such other like persons, not fearing the penaltie of the sayde statute, haue enterprised to come ouer agayne into this realme, blyng their olde accustomed deuclishe and naughtye practises and deuises, with such abominable liuing, as is not in any Christian realme to be permitted, named, or knowen, and benoughtfully punished for the same, to the perillous and euyl example of our Soueraigne Lord and Lady the King and the Queenes Maesties moste louing subiectes, and to the btter and extrenue budoing of diuers and many of them, as evidently doth appeare.

For reformation whereof, he is ordeyned and enacted by the King and Queene our Soueraigne Lorde and Ladye, the Lordes spiritual and temporal, the commons in this present parliament assembled, & by the authoritie of the same, that if any person or persons after the  
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laste daye of Ianuarie next comming, do willingly transporte, bring and conuey into this Realme of England or Wales, any such persons calling them selues, or commonly called Egyptians: that then he or they so transporting, bringing, or conueying in anye suche persons, contrary to the true meaning of this Acte, shall forfeyte and lose for every time so offending, xl. poundes of lawfull money of Englande.

And be it further enacted by thauthozitie aforesayde, that yf anye of the sayde persons called Egyptians, which shalbe transported and conueyed into this Realme of England or Wales, as is aforesayde, do continue and remayne within the same by the space of one moneth, that then he or they so offending, shall by vertue of this Acte, be deemed and iudged a felon and felons, and shall therefore suffer paynes of death, losse of landes and goodes, as in cases of felonie, by the order of the common lawe of this Realme, and shall hypon the tryall of them, or any of them therein so tryed in the countie, and by thynhabitauntes of the countie or place, where they or he shalbe apprehended or taken, and not per medietatem lingue, and shall lose the benefite and priuiledge of sanctuarie and clergy.

And be it further enacted by thauthozitie aforesayde, that yf the Egyptians or other persons commonly calling them selues Egyptians, and every of them now being within this Realme of England or Wales, do not depart out of the same within .xx. dayes next after proclamation of this present Acte shall be made: that then he or they which shall not depart within the sayde time, according to the true meaning of this acte, shall forfeite and lose all his and these goodes and cattels: and that then it shalbe lawfull to al and every the kings and the Quenes subiectes to seale the same, thome moitie thereof to be to the vse of our soueraigne lord and lady the king & the Queene, and thother moitie thereof to be to the vse of him or them that shall so seale the same.

And be it also enacted by thauthozitie aforesaid, that yf the Egyptians and other persons commonly called Egyptians, and every of them now being within this Realme of England or Wales, do not depart out and from the same, within .xl. dayes next after the proclamation shalbe made of this acte, that then he or they, which shall not depart, and stouye within the said tyme of .xl. dayes, according to the true meaning of this act, shalbe iudged and deemed according to the lawes of this realme of England a felon and felons, and shall suffer therefore paynes of death, losse of landes and goodes as in other cases of felonie, as shalbe tryed as is aforesayde, and without having anye benefite or priuiledge of sanctuarie and clergy.

And be it further enacted by thauthozitie aforesayde, that yf anye person after the first day of Ianuacie next comming, shall doe to the obteyning of any licence, letter, or passport, for anye of the same persons

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sons called Egyptians, to abyde or continue, within this Realme of England or Wales, contrary to the tenor of this Acte, that then every such person so sving, shal forfeite and lose for the same, forty poundes, of lawfull money of Englande: and that every such licence, letter and passport, shalbe by vertue of this Act, voyde to al intents and purposes: thone moitie of al which summes of money to be forfeited as is beforesayde, shalbe to the King and Quene our Sovereaigne Lorde and Ladie, and the other moitie thereof to be to hym or them, that will sue for the same, in any court of recorde, by action of debt, bill, plant, or information, wherein any essoigne, wager of lawe, nor protection shalbe admitted and allowed.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that this present acte, nor any thyng therein conterned, shal not extende, nor be hurtfull to any of the sayde persons commonlye called Egyptians, which within the said terme of twentie dayes next after the saide proclamation to be made, as is beforesayde, shall leave that naughtie, ydle, and vngodly lyfe, and compaignye, and be placed in the service of some honest & habile inhabitaunt or inhabitauntes, within this realme, or that shall honestly exercise him selfe in some lawefull worke or occupation: but that he or they so continuing in service, or other lawfull worke or occupation, shal (during such time as he or they shal so continue) be discharged of all paines and forfeitures contrained in this acte.

Provided also, and be it enacted by thauthoritie aforesayde, that this acte shal not in any wyse extende to any childe or chyldren, beyng not aboue the age of .xiii. yeres, nor to any of the said persons being now in prison, so that he or they so being in prison, do depart out of this realme within xiiii. dayes next after his or their delivery out of prison, nor shal extende to charge any maner of person or persons, as necessary to any offence or offences, conterned or specified in this estatute.

An Acte to restrayne carrying of corne, victualles,  
and wood ouer the Sea.

## ¶ The. b. Chapter.



Veras sundry good estatutes and lawes hath bene made within this realme in the time of the Quenes highnes most noble progenitours, that none shoulde transport, cary, or conuay out of this realme into any place in the parties beyond the seas any corne, butter, cheese, or other victuall (except only for the victualling of the towne of Callis, Dames, and Gules, and the marches of

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same) upon others great paynes and forsaictures in the same contayned; that notwithstanding many and sundrye couetous and insatiable persons, seeking their only lucre, and gaynes, hath, and daylye doth carry and conuey innumerable quantitie as well of corne, cheese, butter, and other victual, as of wood out of this realme, into the parties beyonde the seas. By reason wherof the sayde corne, victual and wood are growen vnto a wonderfull dearth, and extreame prices, to the great detriment of the common wealth of this your highnesse realme, and your saythfull subiectes of the same.

For remedie wherof, it may please your highnes, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by your highnes, by thassent of the lordes spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that no manner of person or persons, after the xx. day of January next comming, shal carry and transport out of this realme by any Shippe, Crayer, or other vessel whatsoeuer, into any place in the parties beyond the seas, or into the realme of Scotland, any wheate, rye, barley, or other corne, or grayne, growing within this Realme, or any malt made within the same, or any beere, butter, cheese, herring, or wood, except onely to and for the victualling & furniture of the townes of Callis, Hames, and Guisnes, and to the towne of Barwich and the marches of the same, without sufficient and lawfull auctoritie so to do, upon the paines and penalties hereafter ensuyng: that is to say, the owner and owners of the sayde shippes and other vessels, to forsaite the sayde shippes, crayers, and other vessels, with al their apparels to them, and euery of them belonging, wherein the sayd corne, butter, cheese, herring, victuall, or wood, shalbe so transported and caried: and the owners and owner of the said corne, butter, cheese, herring, and wood, to forseyte the double value of the same so caried and conueyed, and the master & mariners of euery of the sayde shippes, crayers, and vessels, for euery such offence to forseyte all theyr goodes, and to be imprisoned by the space of one whole yere without bayle or maynpryse.

And be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that yf any person or persons, after the said twenty day of January, do carpe and conuaye away by Bote, Crayer, or other vessel, or other wyse, anye wheate, Rye, Barley, Malt, or other corne, or grayne: or any beere, butter, cheese, herring, or wood, to anye shyppe or vessel beyng on the seas: or within any Hauen, creek, or other place of the border of this Realme, to be transported, caried, and conueyed into any place in the parties beyonde the seas, or into the Realme of Scotlande, without sufficient auctoritie so to do: that then euery owner of the sayde victualles, corne, and other thyngs abovesayd, so transported or caried, and the owner and owners of euery such bote or vessel, and the botemen and mariners of the same, shall loose, forseyte, and suffer all suche



# Philippi & Maria. fol. viij.

such forfeitures, waives, and penalties, as is above rehearsed, thone moitie of all and every whiche forfeiture or forfeiture, to be to the king and Queenes highnes, their heires and successours, and thother moitie to him or them that wyl sue for the same by bill, information, action of debte, or other wise in any of the king and Queenes highnes courttes of recorde, in whiche action, bill, or suite, the defendante shal not wage his lawe, nor have any essoine or protection to hym allowed.

And be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that if any person or persons shal obtayne of the king and Queenes Maiesties, their heires or successours, or any of them, any licence to carry and transport any corne, victuall, or wood, into any parties beyonde the seas, that if he or they to whom any such licence shalbe graunted, or any other to whosuch person or persons, having such licence, shal gelie, geaule, or sell his or their saide licence vnto, shall carry or convey, or cause to be carried or conveyed any more corne, victuall, or wood, then shalbe contained in his or their saide licence, but so that the treble value of the saide corne, victuall, or wood so carryed and transported, without sufficient auctoritie, and that suffer imprisonment for one whole yere in the count. in gaole, where he shalbe apprehended, there to remaine without any bayle or maynpryse.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that no manner of person or persons after the sayd. xx. day of January, shal obteyne, or have any such licence for transporting and carrying any corne, victuall or wood, into any parties beyonde the seas, shall ship, lade, and fraught the same, or any part thereof, at sundry places within this realme, but at one place certain, upon paine of forfeiture of the sayde corne, victuall and wood, and all his goodes and cattels: thone moitie therof to the king and Queenes Maiesties, their heires and successours, and thother moitie to him or them that wyl sue for the same by action of debte, bill, plaint, information, or other wise, where in no wager of lawe, essoine, or protection shalbe to hym or them allowed.

And for the better execution of this act, be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all a singular Justices of peace, as well within the liberties as without, within their severall auctorities and commissions at any tyme within three yeres next after such offences committed, shal have full power and auctoritie to enquire as well by the othes of twelve lawfull men, as also to heare and examine the maister, maistres, and mariners of the sayde shippes, craftes, and other vessels, and all and every other person and persons, of all and singular the offenders agaynst this present acte, and to heare and determine the same offences, as they may and ought to heare and determine any other trespasses or offences.

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Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by chaunthozitie aforesayde, that at al tyme and times hereafter, when the common price of corne within this Realme is, that wheate shal not excede the price of. vi. s. viii. d. the quarter, and rye. iiii. s. the quarter, and barley. iiii. shillings the quarter, it shalbe lawfull to every person and persons to carry and transport over the sea, to any place beyond the seas at the pleasure of the saide hyndes of corne, so that it be not to the kynge and queenes enemies.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by chaunthozitie aforesayde, that this acte, ne any thyng therein conteyned, shal extend to any person or persons for the necessary victualling of any shippe, shippes, or other vessels, but that they and every of them, may victuall the saide ships and vessels, as they might have done before the making of this present acte. This act, or any thyng therein conteyned, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by chaunthozitie aforesayde, that this acte, or any thyng therein conteyned, shal not be prejudicial or hurtfull unto the lorde great Admirall of Englande, for the tyme being, or to the King and Queenes Majesties jurisdiction of the Admiraltie, but that the saide lorde Admirall, or his deputye, or deputyes, maye, and shall exercise, use, and execute all kinde of jurisdiction, belonging to the sea, accordyng to his or theys commissions, as they might lawfully have done heretofore. This acte, or any thyng therein conteyned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Acte for the reviving of three Estatutes made for the punishment of heresies.

## The. vi. Chapter.

**W**HICH the eschewing and avoyding of errors and heresies, which of late have risen, grown, and much increased within this Realme, for that the Ordinaries have wanted auctoritie to procede against those that were infected therewith. Be it therfore ordeined and enacted by chaunthozitie of this present parliament, that the statute made in the fift yere of the reigne of Kinge Richard the seconde, concerning the arresling and apprehension of erroneous and hereticall preachers, and one other statute, made in the seconde yere of the reigne of King Henry the fourth, concerning repressing of heresies, and punishment of heretikes, and also one other statute made in the seconde yere of the reigne of King Henry the fyfte, concerning the suppression of heresie and lollardie, and everie Article, Byaunche, and sentence contained in the same three severall Actes

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actes, and euery of them, that from the twentieth day of January next comming, be reuited, and be in full force, strength and effect, to all intents, constructions and purposes for ever.

The tenor of the Acte, made in the fyfte yere of king Richarde is as foloweth Cap. vii

**AS** forasmuch as it is openly knowen, that there be diuers euill persons within the realme, going from countie to countie, & from towne to towne, in certayn habites, vnder dissimulation of great holines, & without the licence of the ordinaries of the places, or other sufficient auctorite, preaching daily, not onely in churches & churchyardes, but also in markets, faires, and other open places where a great congregation of people is, diuers sermons containing heresies & notorious errors, to the great embelmyng of the Christian fayth, and destruction of the lawes, and of the estate of holy Church, to the great pericel of the soules of the people, and of the realme of England, as more playnely is founde, and sufficiently proued before the reuerent father in God the Archbisshop of Cantebury, and the Bishops, and other Prelates, masters of diuinitie, and doctours of Canon & of Civile, and a great part of the Clergy of the said realme, specially assembled for this cause, which persons do also preach diuers matters of slander, to engender discorde and dissention betwixt diuers estates of the said realme, as well spirituall as temporal, in exciting of the people to the great peril of al the realme, which preachers cited or summoned before the ordinaries of the places, there to answer of that wherof they be impeached, will not obey to the summons and commaundementes, nor care not for theyr monitions nor censures of the holy Church, but expressely despise them. And moreover, by theyr subtil engenious wordes, do drawe the people to heare the Sermons, and do mayntayne them in theyr errors by strange hand, and by great routes. It is ordeined and assented in this present parliament, that the kinges commissions be made and directed to the Sheriffes and other ministers of our soueraigne Lorde the King, or other sufficient persons learned, and according to the certifications of the prelates therof to be made in the chancery, from time to time to arrest al such preachers, and also their fauourers, maintainers, and abettours, and to hold them in arrest and strong prison, till they will iustifie them, according to the lawe and reason of holy Church. And the King willethe a commaundeth, that the Chauncellour make such commissions at al times, that he by the prelates, or any of them shall be certified, and thereof required, as is abovesayde.



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The tenor of the second Acte, made in the second yere  
of Henry the. iii. is as foloweth. Cap. xvj. ed. p. m. m. m.

**W**hem where as it is shewed to our soueraigne lord the  
kyng, on the behalfe of the Prelates and Cleargie of his  
realme of Englande in this present Parliament, that al-  
though the Catholique fayth builded upon Christ and by  
his apostles, and the holy Church sufficiently determined,  
declared and approued, hath ben hitherto to be good and holy, and  
most noble progenitors of our soueraigne Lord the kyng in the said  
realme, amongst all the realmes of the world, most deuoutly obserued:  
and the Church of Englande, by his said most noble progenitors a  
good course to the honour of God and the whole realme aforesayde,  
lawfully endowen and in her rightes & liberties sustained, without  
that the same faith, in the same Church was hurt or greuously op-  
pressed, or els peruerbed by any peruerse doctrine, or wicked hereticall  
or erroneous opinions: yet neuerthelesse, diuers false & peruerse peo-  
ple, of a certayne newe sect of the fayth of the Sacramentes of the  
Church, and the auctoritie of the same, damnably thinking, & against  
the law of god, and of the church, blurring the office of preaching do  
peruerbly and maliciously, in diuers places within the said realme,  
hynde the colour of dissimuled holynes, preach and teach these dayes  
openly and prauily diuers newe doctrines, & wicked hereticall and er-  
ronious opinions, contrary to the same faith and blessed determina-  
tions of the holy Church. And of such sect and wicked doctrine & opi-  
nions, they make unlawfull conuenticles & confederacies, they holde  
and exercise scholes, they make and wyte booke, they do wickedly in-  
fyrme & inuolue people, and as muche as they may, erise and stirre  
them to sedition and insurrection, and maketh great strife and diui-  
sion among the people, & other enormities horrible to be heard: day-  
ly do perpetrate & commit in subuersion of the said catholike faith &  
doctrine of the holy Church, in diminution of Gods honour, and also  
in destruction of the estate, rightes, and liberties of the said church of  
Englande, by which secte and wicked and false preachinges, doctri-  
nes and opinions of the sayde false, peruerse people, not onely most  
greaue perill of the soules, but also many more other hurtres, dam-  
ners, and perills (which God prohibe) might come to this Realme,  
whiche it be the more plentifully & speedily holpen by the kynges Ma-  
iestie in this behalfe, namely whereas the diocesans of the said realme  
cannot by their iurisdiction spiritual without ayde of the said royal  
Majestie sufficiently correct the sayde false and peruerse people, nor  
restrain their malice, because the sayde false and peruerse people do go  
from dioceses to dioceses, and will not appeare before the said dioces-  
sans, but the same diocesans, and the iurisdiction spiritual, & the  
hayes

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Hayes of the Church, with the censures of the same, do utterly con-  
 tempte and despise, and so they: wyched preachynges and doctrines  
 both from day to day continue and exercise, to the hatred of ryghte  
 and reason, and utter destruction of order and good rule. Upon which  
 nowelties and excesses aboue rehearsed, the Prelates and Cleargie  
 aforesaid, and also the commons of the said realme, being in the same  
 parliament, praying our soueraigne lord & king, that his roial high-  
 nes would bouchsafe in the said parliament, to provide a conuenient  
 remedye: the same our soueraigne lord the kyng, graciously consyde-  
 rying the premisses, and also the lawdable steppes of his said mosse no-  
 ble progenitours and auncetours, for the conseruation of the said ca-  
 tholike fayth, and sustentation of gods honour, and also the safe-  
 garde of the estate, rightes, and liberties of the said Church of Eng-  
 lande, to the laude of God, and merite of our sayde soueraigne lorde  
 the king, and prosperitie & honour of all his sayd realme, and for the  
 eschewing of suche dissensions, diuisions, hurtes, & slaunders, and pe-  
 ryls in tyme to come: and that this wyched secte, preachynges, doc-  
 trines and opinions, should from henceforth cease, and be utterly de-  
 stroyed by thallent of the states, and other discrete men of the realme  
 being in the said parliament, hath graunted, stablished, and ordeyned  
 fro henceforth, firmly to be obserued, that none within & said realm,  
 or any other dominions, subiects to his roial Maestie, presume to prea-  
 che openly or priuily without the license of the Diocesan of the same  
 place first required and obteyned, Curates in they: owne churches, &  
 persons hitherto priuileged, and other of the cannon lawe graunted,  
 onely except. Nor that none from henceforth anye thyng preache,  
 holde, teach, or instruct, openly or priuily, or make or wyte any boke  
 contrary to the catholike fayth, or determination of the holy church:  
 nor of such sect and wyched doctrines and opinions, shall make anye  
 conuenticles, or in any wise holde or exercise scholes. And also that  
 none from henceforth in any wise fauour suche preacher, or maker of  
 anye suche and like conuenticles, or holding or exercisynge scholes,  
 or makynge, or wytyng suche bookes, or so teachynge, informyng, or  
 exciting the people, nor any of the mainteine, or in any wise susteine.  
 And that all, and singuler hauing suche bookes or any wytyngs of  
 such wyched doctrine and opinions, shall really with effecte deliuer  
 or cause to be deliuered al such bookes and wytynges to the Diocesan  
 of the same place, within .xl. daies fro the time of the proclamation of  
 this ordinaunce and statute. And if any person or persons, of whatso-  
 euer kind, estate, or condition that he or they be, from henceforth do or  
 attempt against the roial ordinaunce & statute aforesaid in the premisses,  
 or in any of the: or such bookes in the fourme aforesaid do not deli-  
 uer, then the diocesan of the same place in his dioces, suche person or  
 persons in this behalfe defamed or euidently suspected, & euery of the,  
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may by the auctoritie of the said ordinary and Statute, cause to be arrested, and vnder safe custodye in his prysons to be detayned, tyll he or they of the articles laid to him or them in this behalfe, do canonically purge him or them selfe, or els such wicked sect, preachinges, doctrynes, and hereticall and erronious opinions, do abiure according as the lawes of the church, doth require, so that the diocesan by him selfe, or his commissaries, do openly, and iudicially procede against such persons so arrested, and remaining vnder his safe custody to all effect of the law: and determine that same busines, according to the canonical decrees, within thre monethes after the sayde arrest any lawfull impediment ceasing. And yf any person in any case aboue expessed, be before the diocesan of that place, or his commissaries canonically conuict, then the same diocesan may do to be kept in his prison the same person so conuict, for the maner of his default, & after the qualitie of the offence, according and as long as to his discretion shall seeme expedient: and moreover to put the same person to a secular court, except in cases where he according to the canonical decree ought to be lefte, to paye to our soueraigne lord the kyng, his pecunier fine, according as the same fine shall seeme competent to the diocesan, for the maner and qualitie of the offence, in which case the same diocesan, shall be bound to certify the king of the same fine in his exchequer, by his Letter Patentes sealed with his seale, to the effecte that such fine by the kinges auctoritie, may be required and leuied to his use of the goodes of the same person so conuict. And if any person within the saide realme and dominions vpon the sayde wicked preachinges, doctrynes, opinions, scholes, and hereticall, and erronious informations, or any of them be before the diocesan of the same place, or his commissaries sententially conuict, & the same wicked sect preachinges, doctrynes, & opinions, scooles, and informations, do refuse duely to abiure: or by the diocesan of the same place or his commissaries, after the abjuration made by the same person pronounced, fall in to relapse, so that according to the holy canons, he ought to be lefte to the secular court, wherupon credence shall be geuen to the diocesan of the same place, or to the commissaries in this behalfe: then the Sheriffe of the countie of the same place, & Maior and Sheriffes or Sheriffe, or Maior and Bayliffes of the cite, Towne, and Borowe of the same countie nexte to the same diocesan, or the sayde commissaries, shall be personally present in preferring of such sentences when they by the same diocesan, or his commissaries shall be required: and they, the same persons & euerye of them after such sentences promulgate, shall receaue, and them before the people in an high place do to be bent, that suche punishment may stryke in feare to the mynδες of other, wherby no such wicked doctrine and hereticall, and erronious opinions, nor theyr abettours and sautours in the said realme & dominions



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missions against the catholike faith, churche law and discipline of the holy church. (which God prohibite) be sustained, or in any wise suffered, in which at and singular the premises, concerning the said ordinance and statute, the Sheriffes, Bators, & Bayliffes of the sayde Counties, Cities, Boroughes, and Townes, shalbe tendering, adorning, and supporting to the said Diocesans, and theyr commissaries.

The tenor of the thirde Acte, made in the seconde yere of kyng Henry the fift, is as foloweth. Cap. viii.

**T**hem, forasmuche as great rumors, congregations, and insurrections here in the Realme of Englande by divers of the kyngs liege people, as well by them which were of the secte of heresies, commonly called lollardes, as by other of their confederacie, excitation, and abettment, now of late were made to thintent to aduill, destroy, and subvert the churche of God, and the lawe of God and holy Church within this same realme of Englande, and also to destroy the same our soueraigne lord the king, and al other maner of estates of the same realme of Englande, as well spirituall as temporall, & also al maner of policie, & finally the lawes of the lande. The same our soueraigne lord the king, to the honour of God, and in conseruation and fortification of the churche of God, and also in saluation of his royall estate, & of the state of al his realme, willing against the malice of suche heretikes and lollardes to provide a more open remedy and punishment then hath ben had and used in the case heretofore, so that for feare of the same lawes and punishment, such heresies and lollardries may the rather cease fortime to come, by the aduise & assent aforesaid: at the prayer of the said commons hath ordeyned and established, that first þe Chawncellour, Treasurer, Iustices of the one bench, & of the other, Iustices of peace, Sheriffes, Bators, & Bayliffes of cities and townes, and all other officers, hauing gouernaunce of people, whiche now be, or hereafter for the tyme shalbe, shall make an othe in taking of their charges and occupations, to put their hole power and diligence, to put out, and do to be put out, cease and destroye all maner of heresies and errors commonly called lollardries, within the places where they exercise their offices and occupations fro tyme to tyme, with all their power; and that they and the officers and their commissaries, & them sauiour and maintaine as often as they or any of them to that shalbe required by the same ordinaries or theyr commissaries: so that when the said officers and ministers shall ride to arrest any lollard, or to make assistance at the instance, and request of the ordinaries or their commissaries by vertue of this statute, that the same ordinaries and commissaries shall paye for theyr costes reasonable, and that the hanges seruise to the whiche the same officers be first sworn, be preferred before al other statutes for the whiche

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of holy church, and the ministers of the same, and in especial for the  
 correction and punishment of the heretikes and lollardes, before this  
 time made and not repelled beyng in theyr force. And also that al per-  
 sons comit of heresy, of what estate, condition or degree that thei be,  
 by the said ordinaries or other commissaries left to the secular power,  
 accordyng to the lawes of holy church, shall lose and forfeite al theyr  
 landes and tenementes, which they haue in fee simple, in the maner  
 as foloweth: that is to say, that the king haue al the landes and tene-  
 mentes, whiche the sayde conuictes haue in fee simple, and holden of  
 him immediatly as forfeite, and that the other lordes, of whom the  
 landes and tenementes of such conuictes be holden immediatly after  
 that the hyng is so leased and answered, yf the yere, the day, and the  
 wast, haue liuery out of the kinges handes of the landes and tenemen-  
 tes aforesayd of them so holden, as it hath ben bled in the case of ac-  
 caitnder of felony, except the landes and tenements, which be holden of  
 the ordinaries or their commissaries, before whom any such persons im-  
 peched of heresie be conuict, which landes and tenements entyrelly shal  
 remaine to the king as forfeit. And moreover that al the goods & cat-  
 tels of these persons so conuicted, be forfait to our soueraigne lord the  
 king, so that no person conuict of heresie, and left to the secular power  
 after the lawes of holy church, shal forfeit his landes, before that he be  
 dead. And if any such person so conuict be enfeoffed, be it by fine, by dede,  
 or without dede, in landes or tenementes, rentes or seruices, in fee or  
 other wise, or hath any other possessions or cattels by gift or graunt of  
 any persn or persons to anothers use, the to thuse of such conuictes, that  
 the same landes nor tenementes, rentes nor seruices, nor suche other  
 possessions, nor cattels shalbe forfeite to our soueraigne lord & king in  
 no wise. And moreover that the iustices of the kinges bench, & iustices  
 of peace, & iustices of assise, haue full power to enquire of al the whiche  
 holde any errors or heresies, as lollardes, and which be their mayntey-  
 ners, receauers, fauourers, & susteyners, common wyters of such bolles,  
 as wel of the sermons, as of their scoles, conuenticles, congregations, &  
 confederacies: And that this clause be put in commission of & iustices  
 of the peace. And if any persons be indicted of any pointes aforesayde,  
 the said iustices shal haue power to award against them a capias, & the  
 sheriff shal be bound to arrest & person or persons so indicted, as sone as  
 he may them find by hym or by his officers. And forasmuch as the cog-  
 nissance of heresy, errors, and lollardies, belongeth to the iudges of h-  
 ly church, and not to the secular iudges, suche persons indicted shalbe  
 deliuered to the ordinaries of the places, or to theyr commissaries, by  
 indentures betwixt them to be made within .x. dayes after theyr ar-  
 rest, or sooner if it may be, therof to be acquit or conuict by the lawes  
 of holy church, in case that these persons be not endited of an another  
 thing, wherof the cognissance belongeth to the secular iudges

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and officers, in which case, after that they be indicted, or delin-  
red before the secular Judges of such charges to the secular Judges  
belonging, they shall be sent in safe conduct to the said Ordinaries, or  
they, Commissioners, and to them detained by indentures as before,  
to be acquitted or convicted of such lollardyes, errors, or heresies as is  
aforesaid, after the lawes of holy Church, and that within the terms  
aforesayde.

It is also provided alwayes, that the sayde indictment be not taken in  
evidence, but for information before the spiritual Judges against  
such persons so indicted: but that the Ordinaries commence theyr  
processe against such persons indicted in the same manner as though  
no indictment were, having no regarde to such indictments.

And yf any be indicted of heresie, error, or lollardye, and taken  
by the Sheriffe or other officer, he shall let to maynpryse within  
the sayde tenne dayes by good suertie, for whom the sayd Sheriffes  
or other officers will answer, so that the sayde person or persons  
which were so indicted, be redye to be deliuered to the sayde Ordina-  
ries, or to theyr Commissioners, before the ende of the sayde tenne  
dayes, yf he may by any meanes for sickness. And euery Ordinarie  
that haue sufficient Commissioners, or Commissary dwelling in euery  
county in a place notable, so that if any such person so indicted be ta-  
ken, that the sayd Commissioners or Commissary, maye be warned in  
the notable place where he dwelleth by the Sheriffe, or some of his  
officers, to come to the kynges sale in the same countie, there to re-  
ceave the same person so indicted by indentures as before. And that  
in the inquest in this case to be taken, the Sheriffes and other offi-  
cers, to whom it belongeth, shall do to be empanelled good and suffi-  
cient persons, not suspected nor procured: that is to saye, that euery  
of them which shall be so empanelled in such inquest, haue within the  
realme of England, C. s. of landes, tenementes, or of rent by yere,  
bpon payne to lose to the kynges vse. x. li. and they which shall be em-  
panelled in such inquestes in Wales, euery of them shall haue to the  
value of xl. s. by yere. And yf anye suche person be arreste, be it by the  
Ordinary, or by the kynges officers or ministers, and escape or breake  
the prison, before that he be acquit before the Ordinary, the goodes &  
cattelles which he had the daye of suche arreste, shall be forseyte to  
the king, and his landes and tenementes, which he had the same  
day, sealed also in the kynges handes. The kyng shall haue the pro-  
fites thereof from the sayd day, until he be yelded to the prison from  
which he escaped: And that the foresaid Iustices haue full power to  
enquire of all such escapes, breaking of prison, and also of landes and  
tenementes, goodes and cattels of such persons so indicted.

It is also provided, that yf any such person indicted do not returne to  
the sayd prison, and dyeth not convicted, it shall be lawfull to his heires



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to enter into the landes and tenementes of theyr auncesters without any other p[re]sumpti[on] making to the kyng for this cause: and then all they whiche haue liberties and franchises royall in Englande, as in the Countie of Chester, the Countie & libertie of Durham, and other like, and also all the lordes, which haue iurisdiction and franchises royall in wales, where the kinges writtes do not runne, haue power to execute and put in due execution these articles in all p[ar]tyes, by them or by their officers, in like maner as the Iustices and other the kinges officers before declared shoulde do.

An Acte that persons dwelling in the countrey, shal not sell diuers wares in Cities or Townes corporate by retayle.

The. vii. Chapter.



Here before this tyme the ancient cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes within this realme of England, haue ben very populous, & chiefly inhabited with marchauntes, artificers, & handycrafts men, during which time the children in the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, & market townes were chiefly brought up, and instructed: and also in the saide cities, boroughes and townes corporate, kept in good order and obedience, and the inhabitants of the same well set on worke, and kept from idleness. By reason wherof the sayde cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, did then prosper in riches and great wealth, and were as then not only able to serue and furnish the kinges and queenes maiesties, and other their noble progenitors kinges of this Realme, as well with great numbers of good able persons, and well furnished meete for the warres, as also then charged, and yet chargeable with great forsaimes, quindemes, taxes, and diuers other paymentes to the kyng and queenes maiesties, which at this present they be not able to pay and beare, but to theyr utter vndoing, beyng fewe in number to pay and beare the same: but also the same cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, are lyke to come very shortly to utter destruction, ruine, and decaye, by reason wherof the occupiers, linnen Drapers, wollen Drapers, Haberdashers, and Grocers, dwelling in the countreys out of the sayd cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes, do not onely occupy the art and mysterie of the sayde sciences, in the places where they dwell and inhabite, but also come vnto the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes, and there sell theyr wares, and take away the reliefe of the inhabitants of the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes, to the great decay, and utter vndoing of the inhabitants of the

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the same, if speedy reformation therin be not had in time convenient: for remedy wherof, and for the better amendment of the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes, and to thende the same cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, maye be the better able to pay the sayd fee farmes, and also to beare the other ordinarie charges within the same cities, boroughes, and townes corporate, and to furnishe the King and Queenes maiesties with numbers of able persons, like as they heretofore haue done in times past, in times of warre:

Be it therefore enacted by our soueraigne Lorde and Ladye, the King and Queene, the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that any person or persons which do now inhabite & dwel, or hereafter shall inhabite or dwel in the country any where, or countie within this realme of Englande, out of any of the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, or market townes, from & after the feast of S. Michael tharchangell next commyng, shall not sell, or cause to be solde by retaile, any wollen cloth, linnen cloth, haberdashe wares, grocery wares, mercery wares, at or within any of the sayde cities, boroughes, townes corporat, or market townes, or within & suburbs or liberties of the said cities, boroughes, townes corporate, and market townes within the said realme of Englande (except it be in open faires) vpon paine to forfeyte and lose for euery time so offending, the summe of. vi. s. viii. d. & the whole wares so solde, proffered and offered to be solde, contrary to the fourme, intente and effecte of this present acte, as aboue is sayde: the one moitie of al which forfeitures, to be to the use of our sayde Soueraigne Lorde and Ladye the kyng and queenes maiesties, and the other halfe to him or them that shall seale and sue for the same in any of the King and Queenes courtes of recorde, by byll, playnt, action of debt, information or other wyse, wher in no esloigne, protection, or wager of lawe shalbe allowed.

Provided alway, that this acte shall not in any wyse extende, nor be hurtfull to any person or persons, that bring any of the sayde wollen cloth, linnen cloth, haberdashe, grocery, metcery, ware or wares to any of the sayde cities, boroughes, townes corporate, or market townes to be solde, or cause to be solde, by whole sale, in grosse, and not by retaile: but they and euery of them may lawfully sell the same in as large and ample maner, fourme and condition by whole sale, in grosse, and not by retaile, as they and euery of them might haue done at any tyme, or tymes before the making of this acte: anye thyng herein to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alway, that this present acte shall not extende to anye person or persons that now dwel or inhabit in the country, or hereafter

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shall dwell or inhabite out of any the sayd cities, boroughes, townes corporate, or market townes: but that they, and euerye of them at any time hereafter, when they or anye of them shalbe free of anye the guildes and liberties, of any the sayde cities, boroughes, townes corporate, or market townes, and dwell or inhabite within any of the same cities, boroughes, townes corporat, or market townes, that they and euery of them so being free, shall and may sell, or cause to be solde any of the wares aforesayde by retaile, in as ample and large maner, as they and euery of them might haue done, being free of the sayde cities, boroughes, and townes aforesayde, before the making of this act: any clause, or article in this acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by thauthozitie aforesayde, that it shalbe lawfull to all persons, to sell or cause to be solde by retaile or other wyse, al maner of cloth, linnen or wollen of theyr owne making in euery citie, borough, towne corporate, and market towne within the realme, as freely and frankly as they myght haue done before the making of this acte: any thyng in the same conteynnyng to the contrary hereof notwithstanding.

Provided alway, that this acte or any thyng therein conteyned, shall not be preiudiciall or hurtful to the liberties, and priuileges of the vniuersities of Cambridge and Oxford, or eyther of them: anye thing in this act heretofore mentioned to the contrary notwithstanding.

An Acte repealing all Statutes, articles, and prouisions made agaynst the see apostolike of Rome since the twentie yere of king Henry the eyght, and also for the establishment of all spirituall and Ecclesiasticall possessions and hereditamentes conueyed to the laitie.

## The eight Chapter.



Where as since the .xx. yere of kyng Henrye the eyght of famous memory, father vnto your Maiestie, our moste naturall soueraigne, and gracious Ladye and Queene, muche false and erronious doctrine, hath bene taught, preached, and written, partely by diuers the natural borne subiectes of this realme, and partely being brought in hither from sundrye other forraigne countreys, hath ben sown and spread abroad within the same. By reason wherof, as well the spiritualtie as the temporaltie of your highnes realme and dominions, haue swarued from the obedience of the see apostolike, and declined from the vnitie of Christes Church, and so haue  
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continued untill suche time as your maiestie beyng first raised by God, and set in the seate royall ouer vs, and then by his diuine and gracious prouidence knitte in mariage with the most noble and vertuous prince, the kyng our soueraigne lord, your husbände, the popes holynes and the See apostolike sent hither into your maiesties (as unto persons vndefiled, and by Gods goodnes preserved from the common infection aforesayd) and to the whole realme, the most reuerende father in God the Lord Cardinall Poole Legate de latere, to call vs home agayne into the right way, from whence we haue all this long whyle wandred and strayed abroad: and we after sundry, long and greuous plagues and calamities, seeing by the goodnes of God our owne errorrs, haue knowledged the same unto the sayde moste reuerende father, and by him haue bene, and are the rather at the contemplation of your maiesties, receaued and embraced into the vnitie and bosome of Christes church: and vpon our humble submission, and promise made for a declaration of our repentance, to repeale and abrogate suche actes and statutes as had bene made in parliament since the sayde .xx. yere of the sayde kyng Henry the eyght, agaynst the supremacie of the see apostolike, as in our submission exhibited to the sayde moste reuerende father in God, by your maiesties appeareth. The tenor wherof ensueth,

we the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons assembled in this present parliament, representing the whole body of the realme of Englande, and the dominions of the same, in the name of our selues particulerly, and also of the said body vniuersally, in this our supplication directed to your maiesties with most humble suite, that it may by your graces intercession, & meane be exhibited to the moste reuerende father in God, the lord Cardinall Poole Legate, sent specially hither from our moste holie father the Pope Iulij the thirde, and the see apostolike of Rome: do declare our selues herre forye and repentaunt of the schisme and disobedience, committed in this realme and dominions aforesayde against the said see apostolike, eyther by making, agreeyng or executing any lawes, ordinaunces, or commaundementes against the supremacie of the sayd see, or otherwyle doyng or speakyng, that myght impugne the same: offering our selues, & promising by this our supplication, that for a token and knowledge of our sayde repentaunce, we be and shalbe alwayes ready vnder, and with thauthozities of your maiesties, to the vttermost of our powers, to do that shall lye in vs for the abrogation, and repealing of the sayde lawes and ordinaunces in this present parliament, as well for our selues, as for the whole bodye, whom we represente. wherupon, we moste humbly desyre your maiesties, as personages vndefiled in offence of bodye towards the sayde see, whiche neuerthelesse God by his prouidence hath made subiect to you, so to see

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foorth this our moste humble suite, that we may obtayne from the See apostolike, by the sayde most reuerende father, as well perticulerly, as generally, absolucion, release, and discharge from all daunger of suche censures, and sentences, as by the lawes of the church we be fallen into: and that we may as children repentaunt, be receauied into the bosome and unitie of Christes church, so as this noble realme with all the members thereof, may in this unitie and perfect obedience to the see apostolike, and popes, for the tyme beyng, serue God and your maiesties, to the furtheraunce & aduancement of his honour and glory. we are at the intercession of your maiesties, by thauthoritie of our holy father Pope Iulij the thirde, and of the See apostolike, alloyed, discharged, and deliuered from excommunication, interdictions, and other censures ecclesiasticall, which hath hanged ouer our heades for our sayde defaultes, since the tyme of the sayde schisme mentioned in our supplication. The which tyme, the sayde lord Legate and we do all declare, recognise, and meane by this acte to be only since the. xx. yere of the raigne of your moste noble father kyng Henrye the eight. It may nowe lyke your maiesties, that for the accomplisment of our promise made in the sayde supplication, that is to repeale all lawes and statutes made contrary to the sayde supremacie and See apostolike, during the sayde schisme, the whiche is to be vnderstande, since the. xx. yere of the raigne of the sayde late king Henrye the eyght, and so the saide lord Legate doth accept, and recognise the same.

where in the parliament begun and holden at Westmynster, in the. xxi. yere of the raigne of the late kyng of moste famous memory kyng Henry the eyght, one acte was then and there made agaynst pluralities of benefices, for takyng of farmes by spirituall men, and for none residence, in the which act amongst other thinges it was ordeyned and enacted, that yf any person or persons at any tyme after the first day of Apryll in the yere of our Lorde God, a thousande fyue hundred and thirtie, contrarie to the same acte, shoulde procure and obteyne at the court of Rome, or els where, any licence or licences, vniou, tolleracion, or dispensacion, to receaue or take anye moze benefices with cure, then was limited and appoynted by the same acte: or els at anye tyme after the sayde day, shoulde put in execution any such licence, tolleracion, or dispensacion, befoze that time obteyned contrary to the sayde acte, that then euery suche person or persons, so after the sayde day suying for hym selfe, or receauyng and takyng suche benefice by force of suche licence or licences, vniou, tolleracion, or dispensacion, that is to say, the same person or persons only and none other, shoulde for euery such defaulte, incurre the daunger, payne and penaltie of. xx. li. sterl. and shoulde also lose the whole profites of euery suche benefice, or benefices, as he receaueth, or taketh

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both by force of any suche licence or licences, sution, collation, or dispensation. And where also in the sayde acte it was ordeyned and enacted, that yf anye person or persons shoulde procure, or obteyne at the court of Rome, or els where any manner of licence or dispensation to be none residence at their dignities, prebend, or benefices, contrary to the sayde acte, that then everie suche person or persons puttynge in execution anye suche dispensation or licence for himselfe from the sayde first day of April, in the sayd yere of our Lord God, a thousande five hundred and thirtie, shoulde runne and incurre in the penalties, damage, and payne of xx. li. sterling for every tyme so doing, to be forseyed and recovered, as by the sayde acte is declared: and yett suche licence or dispensation so procured, or to be put in execution, to be voyde and of none effecte, as by the same acte moze playnely it doeth and may appeare.

Be it enacted by the authoritie of this present parliament, that as muche onely of the sayde acte, as concerneth the articles and clauses aforesayde, and all and every the wordes and sentences contayned in the sayde acte, concerning the sayde Articles and clauses, and every of them, shall from henceforth be repealed, annulled, reuoked, adhibited, and utterly made voyde for ever: any thing in the sayde acte to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And where also at the session of the same parliament holden upon prorogation in the xxiii. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kynge Henry the eight, one acte entituled, the acte that no person shalbe cited out of the diocesse where he or she dwelleth, except in certayne cases: and where also at the sayde parliament, in the session holden at westminster upon prorogation the xxiii. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kynge Henry the eight, one acte was made that appeales in suche cases as hath ben bled to be pursued to the see of Rome, shoulde not from henceforth be had nor bled, but within this realme: And where also at the sayd parliament holden at westminster, in the xxi. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kynge Henry the eight, and there continued by diuers prorogations untill the xxiii. day of April, in the xxiii. yere of his raigne, one acte was made, concerning restrayntes of paymentes, of annuities, and firste frutes of Archbishops, and Bishops of the see of Rome: And where at the session of the sayde parliament holden in the xxi. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kynge, there was also one acte made, entituled, The submission of the cleargie to the kinges maiestie: and one other acte, entituled, An acte restraynyng the sayde paymentes of annuities, or first frutes to the Bishop of Rome, and of the electing and consecrating of the Archebishops and Bishops within this realme: and one other acte was then and there made, entituled, An acte concerning the exoneration of the kinges subiectes from exactions and impositions before



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before that time payed to the See of Rome, and for having licences and dispensations within this realme, without sayng further for the same.

It is enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that the sayde severall actes made for the restraynte of payment of the sayde annates, and first fruits, and all other the sayde actes made in the said xxvi. and xxv. yeres of the raigne of the sayde late kyng, and every of them, and al and every branche, article, matter, and sentence in them, and every one of them conteyned, shalbe by auctorite of this present parliament from henceforth utterly void, made frill, case, and repelled to all intentes, constructions, and purposes.

And be it further enacted by the authority of this present parliament, that all and every these actes folowynge: that is to saye, one acte made at the session of the said parliament holden upon prorogacion at westm. in the xxvi. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte concerning the kynges highnes to be supreme head of the Church of Englands, and to have auctorite to reforme and redresse all errors, heresies, and abuses in the same: And one other acte made in the same session of the same parliament, entituled: an acte for nomination and consecration of Suffraganes within this realme: And one other acte made in the xxvii. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte whereby the kyng shoulde have power to nominate, xxviii. persons of his Clergie and Layes for the making of Ecclesiastikall lawes: And also one other acte, made at the parliament holden at westminster in the xxviii. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte extinguisshynge the auctorite of the Bp. of Rome: And one other acte made in the same parliament, entituled: an acte for the releas of suche as then had obteyned prebendes, benefices and dispensation from the See of Rome: And also all that parte of the acte made in the sayde xxviii. yere of the sayde kyng, entituled: an acte for the establishment of the Succession of the Imperiall crowne of the realme, that concerneth a prohibition to marrie within the degrees expessed in the sayde acte: And also one other acte made at the parliament holden at westminster in the xxix. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte authorisynge the kynges highnes to make By-lloppes by his letters patentes: And one other acte made in the session of the same parliament begun in the said xxx. yere, holden upon prorogacion, the xxxi. yere of the raigne of the sayde kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte concerning precontractes of marriages, and touchynge degrees of consanguinitie: And one other acte made in the parliament holden at westminster, in the xxxi. yere of the raigne of the sayde late kyng Henry the eight, entituled: an acte for the

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the ratification of the Kings maiesties title, shall henceforth be repealed, made frustrate, voyde, and of none effect: And where also at the sayde parliament holden at Westm. in the. xxiij. yere of the reigne of the sayde late kyng Henry theight, one other act was made, entituled: an act concerning the stablishment of the succession of the said king in the imperiall crowne of this realme: In the which act there is a clause of a corporall othe devised and set forth, that every subject of this realme should be bounde to take agaynst the power, auctoritie and iurisdiction of the see of Rome. Be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that so muche of the sayd acte as toucheth the sayd othe agaynst the supremacie, and all other thereupon had made, and given, shall be from henceforth utterly voyde, repealed, and of none effect. And where also one other act was made in the. xxv. yere of the reigne of the sayde late kyng Henry theight, entituled: an act that doctours of the ciuill lawe, being married might exercise ecclesiasticall iurisdiction: Be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that the sayd acte last before mentioned, with all and every branch, article, sentence, and matter, conteyned in the same, shall from henceforth be repealed, and utterly made voyde, null, and of none effect.

And where one other acte was made at the fyfthe yere of the parliament holden at Westm. in the first yere of the reigne of kyng Edward the fyfth, entituled: an act for the repeale of certayne statutes, concerning treasons, felonies, &c. In the which act amongst other thinges there is conteyned certayne provisions, paynes, penalties, and forfeitures for and agaynst suche, as should by open or chynge, expresse wordes, saynges, wytyng, pryncyng, owest, deedes, or act, affirme, or set forth that the kyng of this realme for tyme being, is not or ought not to be supreme head in earth of the churches of Englands, nor Irelands, ne of any of them: or that the Bishop of Rome or any other person or persons, other then the kyng of England for tyme being, is or ought to be supreme head of the same churches, or any of them, as in the same act last before rehearsed, which at large is conteyned and may appear: Be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that these clauses before rehearsed, and other of the sayde acte, concerning the supremacie, with all and every branch, article, wordes, and sentence in the same standing or tending to the derogation of the supremacie of the Pope of Rome, or the see of Rome, and all paynes, penalties and forfeitures made agaynst them that should by any meanes set forth or extoll the said supremacie, shall be from henceforth utterly voyde and of none effect.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all statutes, sentences, and articles of every other statute, or acte of parliament made since the sayd. xx. yere of the reigne of kyng Henry theight





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the time of the late scisme, concerning the landes, and hereditamentes of Archbishops, and Bishops, the suppression, and dissolution of monasteries, abbeyes, priories, chauntries, colleges, and all other the goodes and cattels of religious houses. Since the whiche time, the right and dominion of certayne landes, and hereditamentes, goodes and cattelles, belonging to the same, be dispersed abroad, and come to the handes and possessions of diuers and sundrye persons, who by gift, purchase, exchaunge, and other meanes according to the order of the lawes and statutes of this Realme, for the tyme beinge, haue the same. For the auoyding of all scruples that myght growe by any thocalions aforesayd, or by any other wayes, or meanes whatsoever: It maye please your maiesties, to be intercessours and mediators to the sayde most reuerende father Cardinal Pole, that all such causes and quarels as by pretence of the said scisme, or by any other occasion, or meane whatsoever, might be moued by the Popes holines, or See Apostolicke, or by any other iurisdiction Ecclesiasticall, may be utterly remoued and taken away, so as all persons hauing sufficient conteinence of the sayde landes, and hereditamentes, goodes, and cattels, as is aforesayde, by the common lawes, actes, or statutes of this realme, maye without scruple of conscience, enioie them without impeachment or trouble by pretence of anye generall counsaile, Canons, or Ecclesiasticall lawes, and cleare from all daungers of the censures of the Church.

AND conformably hereunto, the Bishoppes and Clergie of the prouince of Canterburie, haue presented to your maiesties a supplication, in this tenour that foloweth.

Nos Episcopi, & clerus Cantuariensis prouinciæ in hac Synodo more nostro solito, dum Regni parliamentum celebratur, congregati, cum omni debita humilitate, & reuerentia, exponimus Maiestatibus vestris, quod licet Ecclesiarum, quibus in Episcopos, Decanos, Archidiaconos, rectores, & vicarios præfæcti sumus, & animarum, quæ nobis & curæ nostræ subiectæ sunt, & earundem bonorum, iurisdictionum, & iurium ex sacrorum Canonum dispositione, defensores, & curatores constituti sumus, & propterea ipsarum bona, iurisdictiones, & iura in pernicioso huius Regni præterito schismate deperdita, & amissa, omni studio, & totis nostris viribus recuperare, & ad pristinum Ecclesiarum ius reuocare, iuris remediis niri deberemus: nihilominus ramen habito prius per nos super hac re maturo Consilio, & deliberatione, ingenuè fatemur nos optime cognoscere, quàm hæc bonorum Ecclesiasticorum difficilis, & quasi impossibilis esset recuperatio propter multiplices, ac penè inextricabiles super his habitos contractus & dispositiones, & quod si ea tentaretur, quies, & tranquillitas Regni facile perturbaretur, & vnitas Ecclesiæ Catholice, quæ iam pietate, & auctoritate Maiestatum vestrarum hoc in regno introducta est, cum

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maxima difficultate suum debitū progressum, & finem fortiri posset. Ideo nos bonum, & quietem publicam priuatis comoditatibus, & salutem tot animarum pretioso Christi sanguine redēptarum terrenis bonis antepo-  
nentes, & non quæ nostra, sed quæ Iesu Christi sunt quærētes, Maiestates  
vestras enixe rogamus, eisdē humiliter supplicamus, vt reuerendissimo in  
Christo patri, domino Reginaldo Cardinali Polo, ad ipsas, & vniuersum  
hoc Angliæ regnū sanctissimi domini nostri, Domini Iulii, Papæ tertii, &  
Apostolicæ sedis de latere legato, hæc nomine nostro insinuari, & apud  
eum intercedere dignetur, vt in his bonis ecclesiasticis in parte, vel in to-  
to arbitrio suo iuxta facultates sibi ab eodem sanctissimo domino nostro  
Papæ concessas, eorundem bonorum detētoribus elargiendis, & relaxan-  
dis publicum bonum priuato, pacem, & tranquillitatem dissidiis, & per-  
turbationibus, atque animarū salutem bonis terrenis præferre, & ante-  
ponere velit. Nos enim in omnibus, quæ ab ipso legato statuta, & ordina-  
ta circa hæc bona fuerint ex nunc, prout ex tunc, & econtra cōcessum no-  
strum prestamus, imo etiam vt in præmissis se difficilem, aut restrictum red-  
dere non velit, Maiestates vestre nostro nomine eum hortari, & rogare  
dignabimur. Insuper Maiestatibus vestris supplicamus pro sua pietate  
efficere dignentur, vt ea quæ ad iurisdictionem nostram & libertatem Ec-  
clesiasticam pertinent, sine quibus debitum nostri pastoralis officii, & cu-  
ra animarum vobis commissa exercere non possumus, vobis superiorum  
temporū iniuria ablata restituantur, & ea nobis, & Ecclesiæ perpetuo il-  
lesa & salua permaneant, & vt omnes leges, quæ hanc nostram iurisdic-  
tionem, & libertatem Ecclesiasticam tollunt, seu quouis modo impediunt,  
abrogentur ad honorem dei, & maiestatum vestrarum, & vniuersi huius  
Regni spirituale, & temporale commodum, & salutem, certam spem eti-  
am habentes, Maiestates vestras, pro sua singulari in ipsum deum pietate,  
proq; multis, & insignibus ab ipsius de bonitate acceptis beneficiis, neces-  
sitatibus, & in commodis huius sui Regni Ecclesiarum maxime curam  
animarum habentium nunquam defuturas esse, sed prout opus fuerit,  
consulturas, atque prouisuras.

Forasmuch as the sayde moste reuerende father, the Lorde Legat,  
at the intercession of your maiesties, hath by thauitoritie of the See  
Apostolike, sufficiently dispensed in the matters specified in the sayde  
seuerall supplications, as in his saide letters of dispensation is con-  
teyned more at large. The tenor whereof ensueth.

Reginaldus miseratione diuina Sanctæ Mariæ in Cosmodin Sanctæ Ro-  
manæ Ecclesiæ, Diaconis, Cardinalis Polus nuncupatus, ad Serenissimos  
Philippum & Mariam, Angliæ Reges, fidei defensores, & vniuersum An-  
gliæ regnū, Sanctissimi Domini nostri Papæ, & sedis Apostolicæ de la-  
tere legatus eisdem Serenissimis Philippo & Mariæ Regibus salutem in  
Domino sempiternam. Cum supremum consiliū istius Regni parliamentū  
nuncupatum Maiestatibus vestris, per suos supplices libellos exposuisset,  
quod perniciosissimo schismate, in hoc regno aliās vigēte, quod nunc dei  
misericordia

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misericordia, & maiestati vestrarum pietate extinctum est, auctoritatem ipsius parliamenti, nonnulli Episcopatus diuisi, & ex his aliqua inferiores Ecclesiæ, in cathedralis arrestæ, & scholæ, atque hospitalia fundata, nec non plurimæ dispensationes, & beneficiorum prouisiones facta fuerunt, ac multæ personæ, quibus persuasum fuerat, iuris Canonici dispositiones hoc in Regno amplius locum non habere, inter se in gradibus consanguinitatis, vel affinitatis, de iure prohibitis, & alijs impedimentis Canonicis sibi obstantibus, matrimonia per verba de presenti contraxerunt, et multis actus iudicarij, & processus, tam in primis, quam vltioribus instantijs super rebus spiritualibus, & Ecclesiasticis coram iudicibus, tam Ordinarijs, quam delegatis, qui auctoritate laicali procedebant, habiti, & seruati, ac super eis etiã sententiæ latæ, & promulgatæ fuerunt, & bona Ecclesiastica per diuerfas eiusdem regni personas occupata, & apprehensa fuerunt. Quæ quidem licet ex sacrorum Canonum institutis irriti declarari possent, tamen si ad alium statum, quam in quo nunc sunt reuocarentur, publica pax, & quies vniuersi regni turbaretur, & maxima confusio oriretur, præsertim si dictorum bonorum possessores molestarentur, & propterea Maiestatibus vestris humiliter supplicauerint, vt apud nos intercedere dignentur, vt præmissarum rerum firmitati, & stabilitati, & simul huius Regni quieti, & tranquillitati, de benignitate Apostolica providere velimus. Cumq; Episcopi quoq; deinde ac reliquus prouincæ Cantuariensis Clerus totum fere corpus Ecclesiasticorum regni repræsentent, ad quos hæc bonorum Ecclesiasticorum causa maxime pertinet, exposuerint, quod hæc bona ad ius Ecclesiarum reuocare non possunt, quin pax vniuersalis, & quies huius regni turbetur, & causa fidei, atq; vnitatis Ecclesiæ, iam tota omnium consensu hoc in regno introducta, in maximum periculum adducatur, & propterea ipsi quoq; supplicauerint, vt apud nos intercedere velint, vt in his bonis Ecclesiasticis possessoribus relaxandis, restricti, & difficiles esse uellemus, maiestates autem vestras, ad quas maxime spectat providere, vt regnum ipsarum potestati, regimini, & curæ commissum, in pace, & tranquillitate cõseruetur. His supplicationibus, & postulatis cognitis, & mature consideratis, iudicauerint ea omnia, & maxime illa, quæ in bonorum ecclesiasticorum causa petuntur, pro causa fidei, & pro pace publica, per nos debere sine vlla dilacione concedi, & quæadmodum rogati fuerunt, apud nos intercedere dignatæ fuerint, prout in supplicationibus per idem supremum consilium, & episcopos, ac clerum præfatum maiestatibus vestris porrectis, atq; in libello intercessionis per easdem maiestates vestras nobis simul cum alijs supplicationibus exhibito, latius apparet. Idcirco nos qui ad maiestates vestras, & hoc nobilissimum vestrum Regnum a Sanctissimo domino nostro Iulio, Papa tertio, ipsius & sedis Apostolicæ de latere legati missi sumus, vt regnum istud, quod iam diu ab ecclesiæ Catholice vnitates separatum fuerat, Deo, & Ecclesiæ Christi, eiusq; in terris Vicario reconciliaremus, & vt ea omnia, quæ ad pacem, & tranquillitatem huius regni pertineret, omni studio procuraremus, postquam dei benignitate, & maiestatum vestrarum pietate,

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per auctoritatē eiusdem Sanctissimi domini nostri Papæ, cuius vices hic sustinemus, reconciliatio iam facta est, ut paci, & tranquillitati regni præfati consulamus, atq; ut vnitas Ecclesiæ, ex qua salus tot animarum præcioso Christi sanguine redemptarum dependet, hoc in regno iam introducta corroboretur, & salua permaneat, cum vtriusq; rei stabilitatem in eo maxime consistere, si horum Ecclesiasticorum bonorum possessoribus molestia nulla inferatur, quo nimis ea teneant, tot & tam graua testimonia nobis fidem faciant, & maiestatum vestrarum intercessio, quæ pro vnitae Ecclesiæ, & sedis Apostolicæ auctoritate hoc in regno instauranda tam studiose, & tam piè elaborarunt, eam quam par est auctoritatem apud nos habeat, & ut vniuersum hoc regnum sedis apostolicæ maternam vere indulgentiam, & charitatē erga se agnoscat, & re ipsa experiatur: quoscunq; ad quos infra scripta pertinent, a quibusuis excommunicationis, suspensionis, & interdicti, alijsq; ecclesiasticis sententijs, censuris & poenis a iure vel ab homine quauis occasione, vel causa latis, si quibus quomodolibet innodati existunt, ad effectum presentium dumtaxat consequendū horū serie absoluētes, & absolutos fore eo cēsentēs auctoritate Apostolica, per litteras Sanctissimi domini nostri, domini Iulii Papæ tertii nobis concessa, & qua fungimur in hac parte, tenore presentium dispensamus, quod omnes, & singulæ Cathedralium Ecclesiarum erectiones, hospitalium, & scholarū foundationes tēpore preteriti schismatis, licet de facto, & nulleter attentatæ in eo statu, in quo nunc sunt, perpetuo, firmæ, & stabiles permaneāt, illisq; Apostolicæ firmitatis robur adiicimus, ita ut non ea auctoritate, qua prius, sed ea, quam nunc eis tribuimus factæ ab omnibus censeantur, & cum omnibus, & singulis personis regni predicti, quæ in aliquo consanguinitatis, vel affinitatis gradu etiam multiplici, vel cognationis spiritualis, seu publicæ honestatis, iusticiæ impedimento de iure positiuo introductis, & in quibus sanctissimus dominus noster Papa dispensare consuevit matrimonia sciēter, vel ignoranter de facto contraxerint, ut aliquo impedimentorum premissorum non obstante in eorum matrimonijs, sic contractis libere, & licite remanere, seu illa de nouo contrahere possint, misericorditer in domino dispensamus, prole susceptam, suscipiendam legitimam, decernentes, ita tamen ut qui sciēter, & maliciose contraxerint, a sententia excommunicationis, & ab incestus, seu sacrilegii reatu, absolutionē a suo ordinario, vel curato, quibus id faciendi facultatē concedimus, obtineant, ac omnes Ecclesiasticas, seculares, seu quorumuis ordinū regulares personas quæ aliquas impetrationes, dispensationes, cōcessiones, gratias, & indulta, tam Ordines, quam beneficia Ecclesiastica, seu alias spirituales materias præter auctoritatē supremiatis Ecclesiæ Anglicanæ, licet nulliter & de facto obtinuerint, & ad eorū reuersā Ecclesiæ vnitati restitutæ fuerint, in suis Ordinibus, & beneficijs per nos ipsos, seu a nobis ad id deputatos, misericorditer recipiemus, prout iam multæ receptæ fuerunt, secūq; super his oportune in domino dispensabimus, ac omnes processus, in quibusuis instantis coram quibusuis iudicibus, tam Ordinarijs, quā delegatis etiam laicis

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hæc super materiis spiritualibus habitos, & formatos, & sententias super  
eis latis, licet nulliter, & de facto, quo ad nullitatem ex defectu iurisdic-  
tionis præfato tantum insurgentem sanamus, illosq; & illas auctoritate A-  
postolica confirmamus. Ac quibusvis huius regni personis, ad quarum ma-  
nus bona ecclesiastica ex quocumq; contractu, seu titulo oneroso, vel lucra-  
tuo iam deuenerint, illaq; tenuerint, seu etiam teneant, omnes, & quos-  
cumq; fructus ex eisdem bonis, licet indebite perceptos, in totum remittimus,  
& relaxamus, volentes, ac decernentes, quod dictorum bonorum Ecclesi-  
asticorum, tam mobilium, quam immobilium possessores præfati non possint  
in presenti, nec in posterum, seu per consiliorum generalium, vel provin-  
cialium dispositiones, seu decretales Romanorum Pontificum Epistolas,  
seu aliam quamcumq; censuram ecclesiasticam in dictis bonis, seu eorundem pos-  
sessione molestari, inquietari, vel perturbari, nec eis aliqua censura, vel po-  
enæ ecclesiasticæ propter huiusmodi detentionem, seu non restitutionem irro-  
gari, vel infligi, & sic per quoscumq; iudices, & auditores sublata eis qua-  
uis aliter iudicandi, & interpretandi facultate, & auctoritate iudicare, &  
diffinire debere, & quicquid secus attemptari contigerit, irritum, & inane  
fore decernimus, non obstantibus præmissis defectibus, & quibusvis  
Apostolicis, ac in provincialibus, & synodabilis conciliis editis, speciali-  
bus vel generalibus constitutionibus, & ordinationibus, ceterisque contra-  
riis quibuscumq;. Admonemus tamen cum de iure Episcopatum, & erec-  
tio Cathedralium Ecclesiarum sint de maioribus causis, quæ summo pōti-  
fici sunt reseruata, recurrentum esse ad suam sanctitatem, & ab ea suppli-  
citer postulandum, ut hæc confirmare, seu de nouo facere dignetur. Et  
licet omnes res mobiles Ecclesiarum indistincte eis, qui eas tenent relaxa-  
uerimus, eos tamen admonitos esse volumus, ut aut oculos habentes di-  
uini iudicii seueritatem contra Balthasarem Regem Babylonis, qui vasa  
sacra non a se, sed a patre e templo ablata in prophanos usus conuertit,  
ea propriis Ecclesiis si extant, vel alijs restituant. Hortantes etiam, &  
per viscera misericordiæ Iesu Christi obtestantes eos omnes, quos hæc res  
tangit, ut salutis suæ non omnino immemores, hoc saltem efficiant, ut ex  
bonis Ecclesiasticis, maxime iis, quæ ratione personarum, & vicariatuum  
populi ministrorum sustentatio fuerint specialiter destinata, seu alijs Ca-  
thedralibus, & alijs quæ nunc extant, inferioribus Ecclesiis curam anima-  
rum exercentibus ita provideatur, ut earum pastores, personæ & vicarij  
cōmode, & honeste iuxta eorum qualitatem, & statum sustentari possint,  
& curam animarum laudabiliter exercere, & onera incumbencia congrue  
supportare. Datum Lambeth prope Londinum, Vintonien Dioc. An-  
no Natiuitatis domini Millesimo, quingentesimo, quinquagesimo quarto.  
Nono Cal. Ianuarij, Pontif. Sanctissimi in Christo patris, & Domini nostri,  
Domini Iulij, diuina prouidentia Papæ tertij, Anno quinto.

Reginaldus Cardinalis Polus, Legatus, etc.  
We the said lords spiritual and temporal, and the commons in this  
present parliament assembled, rendering most humble thanks to your  
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maiesties, by whose intercession and meanes we haue obtayned the saide dispensations of the Popes holpnes by the saide most reuerende father in god his legate, most humbly besecheth the same, that it may be ordeyned as foloweth.

And therfore be it enacted by thautoritie of this present parliament, that al & singuler articles & clauses contained in the said dispensatiō, as well touching the establishment of Bishoprickes, and Cathedrall churches, as also the confirmation of mariages in degrees prohibited by the Canons of the Churche, the legitimatiō of chyldren, and the ratification of procelles, and of sentences in matters ecclesiastical, touching the invaliditie of them for want of iurisdiction, and the institutions and destitutions, of and in benefices and promotions ecclesiastical, dispensations, and graces, geuen by such order, as the publike lawes of the realme then approued, and all other thinges before contayned in the said letters of dispensations, shall remayne and be reputed and taken, to all intentes and constructions in the lawes of this realme, lawfull, good and effectuell to be alleged and pleaded in all courttes ecclesiastical and temporall for good & sufficient matter, eyther for the plaintiffe or defendaunt without any allegation, or objection, to be made agaynst the validitie of them by pretence of anye general counsaile, canon or decree to the contrary made, or to be made in that behalfe.

And where as diuerse and sundry late Monasteries, Priories, Commaundries, Nonries, Deaneries, Prebendes, Colleges, Hospitales, Houses of fryers, Chauntries, and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places; and the manours, graunges, mesuages, landes, tenementes, rectories, tithes, pentions, portions, vicarages, churches, chappels, aduousons, nominatiōs, patronages, annuities, rentes, reuertions, seruices, and other possessions, & hereditamentes to the sayde late monasteries, priories, nonries, commaundries, deaneries, chauntries, prebendes, houses of fryers, colleges, Hospitales, and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places, and sundry Archbishoprickes, and Bishoprickes within this Realme, late appertayning and belonging, came aswel to the handes and possessions of the saide kyng of famous memorie, Henry the eight, father hnto your Maiestie, our saide soueraigne Lady, by dissolution, gyfte, graunt, surrender, attainer, or otherwyle, as also to the handes and possession of diuers and sundry other persons, and bodyes politike and corporate, by sundry meanes, conuepaunces, and assuraunces, accordyng to the order of the lawes, and statutes of this Realme.

And where also diuers manours, landes, tenementes, and hereditamentes parcel of the possessions of Archbishopricks, and Bishopricks, and many and sundry late deaneries, Colleges, Chauntries, Rectories, Prebendes, free Chappels, Wyldes, and fraternities, manours,



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manours, houses, graunges, landes, tenementes, rentes, seruices, and other Ecclesiasticall possessions, and hereditamentes, goodes, and cattelles to the sayde Archbishops, Bishops, deaneries, colleges, chauntries, free chappels, rectories, guildes, and fraternities late appertayning and belonging or appoynting, to and for the synding of priestes, obyttes, lyghtes, or other lyke purpose, came as wel to the hands & possession of the late noble king Edward the first, brother vnto your maiesties Soueraigne Lady, by vertue of an acte of parliament thereof made, or other wyse, as also to the hands and possession of diuers and sondre other persons, and bodies politike and corporate by sondre meanes, conueyaunces, and assuraunces, according to the order of the lawes of this realme: a great nuber of whiche said late monasteries, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, colleges, hospitaless, prebendes, chauntries, free chappelles, guildes, and fraternities, and the manours, graunges, mesuages, lands, tenementes, rentes, reuertions, seruices, tithes, pensions, portions, vicarages, churches, chappels, aduousons, nominations, patronages, annuites, and hereditamentes, goodes, and cattels, to the said monasteries, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, colleges, hospitaless, chauntries, free chappels, guildes, fraternities, and other ecclesiasticall houses, Archbishops, and Bishops belonging, as well for greate summes of money, as for other good and reasonable causes and consyderations, haue ben conueyed and assured to diuerse the subiectes and bodies politic of this realme, as well by the said king Henry the eighth, the said king Edward the sixte, and by your highnes our Soueraigne Ladye, and ioynely by both your maiesties, as also by diuers the owners of the said ecclesiasticall possessions, whiche said conueyaunces, and assuraunces by their sundry letters patentes, and other writings, more playnely doe and maye appere. Forasmuch as the sayde most reuerende father hath also by the said dispensations, remoued and taken away al matter of empeachment, trouble, and daunger, which by occasion of any generall counsaile, canon, or degree ecclesiasticall myght touche and disquiete the possessions of such goodes moueable, landes, tenementes, possessions, and hereditamentes as were of late belonging to any of the sayde Archebishops, Bishops, monasteries, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, colleges, chauntries, prebendes, rectories, hospitaless, houses of fryers, or other religious and ecclesiasticall houses and places, of what nature, name, kinde, or qualitie soener they be of: Yet for all that the title of al landes, possessions, & hereditamentes in this your maiesties realme and dominions, is grounded in the lawes, statutes and customes of the same, and by your high iurisdiction, auctoritie roial, and crowne imperial, and in your courtres onely to be impleaded, ordered, tried, and iudged, and none other wyse,  
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and vnderstanding, that the whole, full, and moſte gracious intentes, mind, and determination of your moſt excellent maiesties be, that al and euery person and persons, bodies politike and corporate, theiſe heires, ſucceſſours and aſſignes, and enery of them, ſhall haue, keepe, reſayne, and enioye all and euery their eſtates, ryghtes, poſſeſſions, and interreſtes, that they and enery of them now hath, or hereafter ſhall haue, of and in al and euery the manours, graunges, meſuages, landes, tenementes, tythes, pentions, portions, aduouſons, nominations, patronages, annuities, rentes, reuerſions, ſeruices, hundredes, wapentakes, liberties, fraunchiſſes, and other the poſſeſſions, and hereditamentes of the ſaide monaſteries, abbeyes, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, colleges, bꝛebendes, hoſpitales, houſes of fryers, chauntries, rectories, vicarages, churches, chappelles, archbiſhopꝛiches, and biſhopꝛiches, and other religious or eccleſiaſticall houſes and places, or of any of them within this realme, or the dominions of the ſame, by ſuch lawes and ſtatutes as were in force before the fyrſt day of this preſent parliament, and by other lawfull conuenance to them thereof made.

That it may be therefore enacted by thauthoritie of this preſent parliament, that al wel your maiestie, our ſoueraigne Lady, your heires, & ſucceſſours, as alſo al, and euery other person & persons, bodies politike, and corporate, theiſe heires, ſucceſſours, and aſſignes now hauing, or that hereafter ſhall haue, holde, or enioy any of the ſcytes of the ſaide late monaſteries, and other the religious or eccleſiaſticall houſes or places, and al the ſaid manours, graunges, meſuages, landes, tenementes, tythes, pentions, portions, glebelandes, aduouſonnes, nominations, patronages, annuities, rentes, reuertions, ſeruices, hundredes, wapentakes, liberties, fraunchiſſes, profites, commodities, and other the poſſeſſions, & hereditamentes of the ſaide late monaſteries, abbeyes, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, colleges, bꝛebendes, hoſpitals, houſes of fryers, rectories, vicarages, chauntries, churches, chappelles, archbiſhopꝛiches, biſhopꝛiches, and other religious and eccleſiaſticall houſes and places, or of any of them, of what name, nature or kinde ſoeuer they be: ſhal haue, hold, poſſede, reſayne, keepe and enioy al and euery the ſaid ſcytes, manours, graunges, meſuages, landes, tenementes, poſſeſſions, profites, commodities, and other hereditamentes, according to ſuche interreſtes and eſtates, as they and euery of them now haue or holde, or hereafter ſhall haue or hold of and in the ſame, by the due order and courſe of the lawes and ſtatutes of this realme, whiche now be, or were ſtanding in force before the fyrſt day of this preſent parliament, in maner and ſort, as they ſhoulde haue done, if this acte had neuer ben had ne made: This acte, or anye thing herein conteyned to the contraye in anye wiſe notwithſtandynge.

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Sauyng to you our sayd soueraigne Ladye, your heyres and successours, and euery of them, and to all and euery other person and persons subiectes of this realme, and bodie polittike and corporate, and to the heyres and successours, and to the heyres and successours of all and euery of them, other then suche, whose ryght, title, or interest is bounded, or taken away, vndone, or extinct by any acte of parliament heretofore made: or other wyse al such right, title, clayme, possession, interestes, rentes, annuities, commodities, commons, offices, fees, leases, liuries, liuinges, pensions, portions, debtes, dueties, and other profites, whiche they or any of them lawly haue, or of ryght ought to haue, or might haue had, in, of, or to any of the premises, or in, of, or to any part or parcel thereof, in suche like maner, forme, and condition, to all intentes, respectes, constructions, and purposes, as yf this act had neuer bene had, ne made.

And that it may be further enacted by aucthoritie aforesaide, that all and euery article, clause, sentence, and prouiso, conteyned or specified in any acte or actes of parliament, concernyng, or touchyng the assuraunce, or conueyaunce of any the said monasteries, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, prebendes, colleges, chauntries, hospitalles, houses of fryers, rectories, vicarages, churches, chapels, Archebyschoppes, and Byschoppes, and other religious and ecclesiastical houses and places, or any of them: or in any wyse concerning any manours, landes, tenementes, profites, commodities, hereditamentes, or other the thynges befoze specified to the sayd kyng Henry theight, or kyng Edward the sixt, or eyther of them, or any other person or persons, or body polike or corporate, and euery of the, and all, and euery writing, deede, and instrument, concerning the assuraunce of any the same, shall stande, remayne and be in as good force, effect, and strength, and shalbe pleaded, and taken aduantage of, to all intentes, constructions and purposes, as the same shoulde, might, or coulde haue bene by the lawes and statutes of this realme, in case this present act had neuer bene had, ne made.

And that all feoffamentes, fines, surrenders, forfeitures, assuraunces, conueyaunces, estates, and interestes, in any wyse conueyed, had or made to our sayde late soueraigne Lorde king Henry theight, or to our sayde late soueraigne Lorde kyng Edward the sixt, or eyther of them, or to any other person or persons, bodie polittike or corporate, or to any of them by deede or deedes, acte or actes, or parliament, or other wyse of any the scites, manours, landes, tenementes, possessions, profites, commodities, or hereditamentes of anye the sayde Archebyschoppes, Byschoppes, late monasteries, priories, nonneries, commaundries, deaneries, houses of fryers, colleges, chauntries, hospitalles, prebends, free chappels: or of any manours, landes, tenementes, reuerfions, seruices, tithes, pensions, portions, annuities, or of any

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any other hereditamentes, of, by or from any ecclesiasticall or spirituall person or persons, or by or from any spiritual or ecclesiastical corporation, or body politike, shalbe as good and auaylable in the law, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, as they were by the lawes and statutes of this realme standing in force before the first day of this present parliament. And that the same may & shalbe pleaded, alleged, and taken aduantage of, in suche sort, & to such effect, as they shoulde, coulde, or might haue ben by the lawes and statutes of this realme, standing in force before the saide first day of this present parliament. And that all, and every clause and article of sayng, conteyned in all and every the sayde actes and statutes, shall stand, remaine, and be in suche force, strength, and effecte, as they were before the sayde fyfthe day of this present parliament: any thing conteyned in this present Acte to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

And that it may be in like maner enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that whosoever shal by any procelle, obtained out of any ecclesiastical court within this realme, or without, or by pretence of any spirituall iurisdiction, or otherwise contrary to the lawes of this realm, inquit or molest any person or persons, or body politike, for any of the said manours, landes, tenementes, hereditamentes, or thinges aboue specified, contrary to the wordes, sentences, and meanynge of this acte, shall incurre the daunger of the acte of premynere, made in the .xvi. yere of kyng Richard the seconde, and shall suffer, and incurre the forfeitures and paynes conteyned in the same.

Provided alway, that it shall and may be lawfull to any person or persons, body politike and corporate, to sue in any competent, ecclesiasticall or spirituall court within this realme, for tithes, rightes, & duties, that they or any of them shall pretende to haue of or out of any the sayde manours, landes, tenementes, and other the premisses, and to haue full and perfect memozy of the same, in such maner and forme, as they or any of them, might or ought to haue done, or had by the lawes and statutes of this realme, before the making of this acte, and as though this act had neuer ben had or made.

And that it may be further provided, and enacted by the auctoritie aforesayde, that albeit the title or stile of Supremacie, or supreme head of the Church of Englande and of Irelande, or eyther of them, neuer was, ne coulde be iustly, or lawfully attributed, or knowledged to any kyng or Soueraigne gouernoure of this realme, no: in any wise coulde, or might rightfully, iustly, or lawfully by any king or soueraign gouernour of this realme, be claymed, challenged or vied: Yet forasmuch as the said title and stile, sithence the thirde day of Nouember, in the .xvi. yere of the raigne of the sayde kyng Henry the eighth, hath ben vied, and is mentioned, and conteyned in diuers and sundry wittes, letters patentes, recordes, exemplifications, court rolles,



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les, charters, deedes, instrumentes, evidences, booke and writings: It shalbe lawefull as well to, and for your Majesties and your Soueraigne ladies heires and Successours, as to, and for every other person, and persons, and bodie politike and corporate, at al time and times hereafter, to haue, retaine, and kepe the sayde writtes, letters patentes, recordes, exemplifications, court rolles, Charters, deedes, instrumentes, evidences, booke, and writings: and them to shewe, exhibite, vse, alledge, and pleade, in all times and places requisite, or nedeful, without any daunger, penaltie, losse, forfeyture, trouble, vexation, or impeachment for the same: any thing in this acte, or in any other acte or actes, to the contrary thereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And where your highnes Soueraigne Lady, since your comming to the crowne of this realme, of a good and Christian conscience, omitted to write the sayde stile of Supremacie, specified in one Acte made in the parliament holden at Westmister by prorogacion in the xxv. yere of the raigne of your late father kyng Henry the vyght, as well in giftes, grauntes, letters patentes, as in commissions, and other writings: and also other haue in their writings done the same, as wel in your time as before. And forasmuch as notwithstanding any lawe made concerning the sayde stile of Supremacie, it was in the free choyse, libertie, and pleasure of the kyng of this realme, and of your highnes, whether ye would expresse the same in the saide stile or not.

Be it therfore declared and enacted by thauthozitie of this present parliament, that al grauntes, letters patentes, commissions, indite- mentes, recordes and writings, made in your our Soueraigne Ladies name, or in the names of yours Soueraigne Lorde and Ladye, or anye other, wherein the sayde stile of Supremacie is omitted, is, and shalbe to all intentes and purposes, as good and effect uall, as if the same had ben therein expresse: and may be deteyned, kept, pleaded, and alledged without any daunger, payne, penaltie, or forfeyture to ensue to any person or persons, or body politike, for, or concerning the omission of the same stile, or any part thereof, in any such writings, and that no person, ne persons shalbe impeached, molested, or dampnified, for, or by reason of any such omission.

And where in an Acte of parliament made since the said .xx. yere of kyng Henry the vyght, all Bulls, dispensacions, and writings whiche were before that time obteyned from the See of Rome, should be boyd, abolished, & extingwished, with a clause neuerthelessse, that the matter of them, by vertue of letters patentes from the king then being, should and might be alledged, pleaded, and allowed, as yf the same had not ben so abolished and extingwished. Forasmuche as the sayde acte is here before amongst other repealed and made boyde:

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Be it therefore enacted by authoritie of this present parliament, that all Bulles, dispensations, and priuileges obteyned before the saide. xx. pere. or at any time sicthence, or whiche shall hereafter be obteyned of the See of Rome, not conteyning matter contrary, or prejudiciall to that authoritie, dignitie, or preheminance royall, or imperiall of the realme, or to the lawes of this realme, now being in force, and not in this parliament repealed, maye be put in execution, used and alleaged in any court within this realme, or els where, whether the same remaine yet hole, or can appeare to haue ben cancelled, in this valeable and effectuall maner, to al intentes, and purposes, as if the said Act had neuer ben had or made: Any objection by pretence of extinguishtment, or cancelling of the saide Bulles, dispensations, or priuileges, or of any other matter or cause by the pretence of the lawes of this realme whatsoeuer, in any wyle notwithstanding.

And where as by dissolution of monasteries, and other religious houses, certayne parische churches and chappels, whiche were before exempt from the iurisdiction of the Archbishop and Bysshop of the diocesse, and by speciall exemption and priuiledge from Rome, were vnder the gouernment and order of the abbots, and priours of those religious houses, which saide churches by colour of the saide exemptions, be now of speciall graunt from king Henry, and king Edward, vnder the rule and gouernment, and iurisdiction of temporall and laye men, who can no more enioy that supremacie, ouer those particular churches, then the king might ouer the whole realme.

Be it therefore enacted, that all Archbishops and Bishops in their dioceses, and all other spirituall person and personnes, hauinge iurisdiction, and their ministers and officers, and no laye person, or persons, in euery Church and place, within the precinct of the same being exempt, or not exempt, maye freely, and without impediment execute their spirituall iurisdiction in all poyntes and articles, as though no such exemption or graunt had neuer ben made.

Provided alwaye, and be it enacted, that this Act extende not to take awaye, or diminish the priuileges, of the vniuersitie of Cambridge and Oxford, ne the priuileges, or prerogatiues graunted heretofore to the churches of Westminster and Windsor, ne the Towre of London: ne prejudiciall to suche temporall Lordes and possessors in this realme, as by auncient custome haue enioyed probate of Testaments, of their tenantes or other.

And forasmuch as after this reconciliation, and unitie of this noble realme, to the body of Christes church, it is to be trusted, that by the aboundaunce of Gods merce and grace, deuotion shall encrease and growe in the hearts of many the Subiectes of this realme, with desire to geue and bestowe their worldly possessions, for the resuscitating of almes, praier, and example of good life in this realme, to thir-  
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tent such godly motions and purposes should be aduanced.

Be it therefore enacted by aucthoritie of this present parliament that it shalbe lawfull to such as shalbe seased of any manors, landes, tenementes, personages, tithes, pencions, portions, or other hereditamentes, whatsoeuer in fee simple, in possession, reuersion or remainder, in their owne rightes, not being copy holde, maye thereof make feoffamentes, grauntes, or any other assuraunces, or by his last wyll and Testament, in wyting, may bequeath and geue in fee simple, all and euery the sayd manours, landes, tenementes, personages, tithes, pencions, portions, or other hereditamentes, to any spirituall bodye politike, or corporate in this realme or dominions of the same, now erected or founded, or hereafter to be erected or founded, without anye licence of moztmaine therein to be obtayned, or any wyte of ad quod damnum to be sued out for the same, the Actes de terris ad manum mortuam non ponendis, or any other act or statute heretofore had or made in any wyse not withstanding.

Sauing to the Lordes of the fee, all rentes, seruices due, or going out of any of the saide land or tenementes, or hereditamentes, so to be amortized, as is aforesayde.

Provided alway, that this clause of this Act, for geuing the libertie of, or for the amortizing of landes or tenementes, shall continue for, and during the space of .xx. yeres nexte, and immediatly folowing, and no lenger.

And forasmuch as we your maiesties humble and obedient subjectes, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and commons in this present parliament assembled, neither by the making or deliuering of either the supplications aforesayde, nor by any clause, article, or sentence thereof, or of any other clause, article, or sentence of this or any other Statute, or any of the preambles of the same, made, or agreed vpon in this session of this present parliament, by any maner of interpretation, construction, implication, or other wise, intend to derogate, impayre, or diminish any of the prerogatiues, liberties, franchises, preheminences, or iurisdiccions of your crowne Imperiall of this realme, and other the dominions to the same belonging, we do moue humbly beseeche your maiesties, that it may be declared, and ordained: And be it enacted and declared by aucthoritie of this present parliament, that neither the making, exhibiting, or inserting in this present statute, or in the preambles of the same, of the supplications or promise aforesayde, or eyther of them, nor any other thing or thynges, wordes, sentences, clauses or articles in the preambles or bodie of the actes aforesayde, shalbe construed, vnderstanded or expounded to derogate, diminish, or take away any the liberties, priuileges, prerogatiues, preheminences, aucthorities, or iurisdiccions, or any parte or parcel therof, which were in your imperial crowne of this realme,



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or did belong to your said imperiall crowne the twentieth yere of the raigne of yours the Queenes maiesties moste noble father, or anye other your moste noble progenitours, before the sayd twentieth yere, and the popes holynes, and See Apostolike, to be restored, and to haue and enioye suche aucthoritie, preheminence, and iurisdiction, as his holynes bled, and exercised, or myght lawefully haue bled and exercised by aucthoritie of his supremacie, the sayde twentieth yere of the raigne of the kyng your father, within this your realme of England, & other your dominions, without diminution, or enlargement of the same, and none other: And the Ecclesiastical iurisdiction of the Archbischoppes, Bischoppes, and Ordinaries, to be in the same state, for processe of suites, punishment of crimes, and execution of censures of the church, with knowledge of causes belonging to the same, and as large in these pointes, as the sayde iurisdiction was the sayde, xx. yere.

Provided alwayes, and be it enacted by thaaucthoritie aforesayde, that in and vppon euery suche gyftes and deuises, to be made to suche spirituall corporations, or persons as is aforesayde, the donor, feoffer, or diuisor thereof may reserue to hym, and to his heyres for ever, a tenure in franke almayne, or a tenure by diuine seruike, and to haue all remedies and actions, for and vpon the saide gyftes or deuises, and tenures in like maner and fourme, as was bled before the estatute of Westmynster thirde (commonly called) *Quia emptoris terrarum*: The sayde estatute or any other lawe or custome now being to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding.

Provided alwayes and be it enacted, that all and euerye person and persons, and bodyes politike and corporate, which nowe haue, or hereafter shall haue any estate of inheritance, freehold, terme, or interest, of, in, or to any portion, pension, tithes, glebelands, or other ecclesiastical or spiritual profit, which by this act, and letters of dispensation rehearsed in the same, be permitted and suffered to remain and continue in lay mens possessions, shall and maye haue lyke remedye for the recovery of the same, and euery part therof, as they and euery of them might haue had before the firste daye of this present Parliament: any thing in this acte conteyned to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

¶ An Acte for the punishment of trayterous wordes  
agaynst the Queenes Maiestie.

¶ The. ix. Chapter.

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**E**Verasmuch as now of late diuerse naughty, seditious, malicious, & hereticall persons, not hauing the feare of god before their eyes, but in a deuylishe sort, contrary to the duety of their allegiaunce, haue congregated them selues together in conuenticles, in streets and sundry prophane places within this city of London, asserting them selues to be in the true faith, where in dede they are in errors & heresies, & out of the true trade of Christes catholike religiō: & in the same places at severall times, vsing their phantasticall, and scismatical seruices, lately taken away, and abolished by auctoritie of parliament, haue of their most malicious and cankered stomakes, prayed against the Queenes maiestie, that God would turne her heart from idolatrie to the true sayth, or els to shorten her dayes, or take her quickliye out of the waye: whiche prayer was neuer heard nor read to haue bene vsed by anye good Christian manne, agaynst anye prince, though he were a pagan, and infidell, and much lesse agaynst any christian prince, and especially so vertuous & pious, as our soveraigne Lady that nowe is knowne to be, whose sayth is and alwayes hath ben moste true and Catholique, and consonant and agreeing with Christes Catholique Church, throughout the worlde dispersed.

For reformation wherof, be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that euery such person and persons, which since the beginning of this present parliament, haue by expresse wordes and sayinges, prayed, required, or despyed, as is aforesayde, or hereafter shall pray by expresse wordes or sayinges that God shoulde shorten her dayes, or take her out of the waye (whose life almighty God long preferue) or any such like malicious prayer, amounting to the same effect, their procurers and abettours therein, shalbe taken, reputed and iudged traytours: and euery suche prayinge, requiringe, or despyring shalbe iudged, taken, and reputed high treason, and the offenders therein, their procurers and abettours, being thereof lawfully conuicted, accordyng to the lawes of this Realme, shall haue, suffer, and forfeit, as in cases of high treason.

Provided alway and be it enacted, that yf anye person or persons shalbe indicted of anye the offences aforesayde, done and perpetrated during this session of this present parliament, and upon his or theys arraignment, shall he or he or they selues penitente for theyr offence, and submit him or them selues to the kyng and queenes mercy, and humbly desire the same, before such iustices, or commissioners, before whom he or they shalbe arraigned: that then no iudgement, or conviction, or attainder of treason shalbe geuen agaynst anye suche person or persons, so being penitent, and submitting them selues as is aforesayde. And in euery such case, the Iustices, or commissioners

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before whom such person or persons shall be arraigned, shall have authority by virtue of this act, to prescribe, adjudge, and appoint such corporal punishment, other then death, to such offender & offenders, as to them by their discretion shall seeme convenient, and upon that penance prescribed and done, to be discharged of the sayde treason, compassed in that inditement.

An Acte whereby certayne offences be made treasons, and also for the gouernment of the Kynges and Queenes Maiesties issue.

## The .x. Chapter.

**AS** much as the great mercie and clemency heretofore declared by the Queenes highnes, in releasynge the penall lawes made by her progenitours, hath given occasion to many canhard and trayterous hearts to imagin, practyse, & attempt things stirring the people to disobedience, and rebellion against her highnes common pollicie, and duetie of subiectes, require that some lawe be eftsones established to restrayne the malice of suche wicked and euill doers, whereby they may be prohibited to blowe abroad such shamefull slanders and lyes, as they dayly inuent & imagine of her highnes, and the kinges maiestie her most lawfull husband, whiche when they be heard, can not be but odible, and detested of all good men, considering they touche their Maiesties, bypon whom dependeth the whole vnitie, and vniuersall wealth of this realme.

In consideration whereof, be it ordeyned and enacted by the kyng and the queenes maiesties, with chassent of the Lordes spiritual and temporal, and of the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the aucthoritie of the same, that yf any person or persons after the first day of februarye next to come, during the mariage betwene the king & the queenes maiesties, do compass or imagine to deprive the kinges maiestie that now is, fro the hauing and enioying jointly together with the queenes highnes the stile, honour, and kynglye name of the realmes and dominions vnto our sayd soueraigne Lady the Queenes highnes appertayning, or to destroy the king that now is, during the sayde matrimonie, or to destroy the Queenes maiestie that now is, or the heyres of her bodye begotten, beyng kynges or Queenes of this Realme, or to leuie warre within this Realme of England, or within any of the marches of the same, agaynst the kynges maiestie that now is, during the sayde mariage, or agaynst the queenes maiestie that now is, or any of her sayde heyres, beyng kinges or queenes of this Realme, or to depose the Queenes maiestie that



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that now we is, or the heyres of her bodye begotten, being kynges or queenes of this realme, from the Imperiall crowne of the Realmes and dominions abovesaid. And the same compasses, or imaginations, or any of them, maliciously, aduisedly, and directly, shal, or do better by open preaching, expresse wordes, or sayinges, or yf any person or persons after the saide first day of februarye, by preaching, expresse wordes or sayinges, shall maliciously, aduisedly, and directly, say, publish, declare, maintayne or holde opinion, that the kynges Maiestie that now is, during the said matrimonie, ought not to haue or enioy toynelge together with the queenes Maiestie, the style, honour, and kyngly name of this realme, or that any person or persons, being neither the kyng or the queenes Maiesties that now are, during the sayd matrimony betwene them, ought to haue or enioy the style, honour, and kyngly name of this realme, or that the queenes Maiestie that now is, during her lyfe, is not, or of ryght ought not to be queene of this realme, or after her death, that the heyres of her bodye being kynges or queenes of this realme of right ought not to be kynges or queenes of this realme, or to haue and enioy the same; or that any person or persons, other then the queenes Maiestie that now is, during her life, ought to be queene of this realme, or after her death other then the heyres of her bodye being kynges or queenes of this realme, as long as any of her sayde heyres of her bodye begotten shalbe in life, of right ought to haue and enioy the imperiall crowne of this realme: That then euery suche offendour, being thereof duely convicted or attainted by the lawes of this realme, theyr abettours, procurers, and counsellours, and all, and euerye theyr comforters, knowyng the sayde offences, or anye of them to be done, and being thereof convicted or attainted, as is abovesayde, for his or theyr suche offence, shall forfeite and lose to the queenes highnes, her heyres and successours, all his and theyr goodes and cattels, and the whole issues and profites of his and theyr landes, tenementes, and other hereditamentes, for terme of the life of euery suche offendour or offendours, and also shal haue, and suffer, during his or their liues, perpetual imprisonment.

It is provided alwayes and be it enacted by the auctoritie aforesaide, that all and euery ecclesiasticall person being convicted or attainted in foume aforesaide, for euery such his offence, shalbe depriued by the ordinary from his promotion spirituall or ecclesiasticall, in such lyke maner & foume, that it shalbe lawfull for euery patron, founder, or gener therof, to present, after suche depriuation had, some one other to the same, as though the sayde offendour or offendours were deceased. And if any person or persons being hereafter convicted, or attainted of any of the said offences, in foume aforesaid committed, shall after his or theyr conuiction or attainder, effones commit or perpetrate

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trate any of the saide offences, in forme abovesayde: that then eneyther  
such seconde offence or offences, shalbe deemed, and adiudged high  
treason, and the offendour or offendours therein, their abettours, procu-  
rers, and counsellors, and all and euery theyr aydoers and comforters,  
knowing the saide offences, or any of them to be done, being ther-  
of convicted or attainted, according to the lawes and statutes of this  
realme, shalbe iudged and deemed high traitors, & shall suffer paynes  
of death, and lose and forfeit all theyr goodes and cattels, landes and  
tenementes, to the queenes Maiestie, her heires and successours, as  
in cases of hygh treason by the lawes of this realme at this daye of  
right ought to be lost and forfeited.

And be it further enacted by the said authoritie, that yf any person  
or persons at any time after the said first day of february next to come,  
during the saide marriage, compass or imagine the death of the kyn-  
ges maiestie that now is, and the same maliciously, aduisedly, and di-  
rectly shall utter and attempt by any writing, printyng, ouert dede  
or act: or yf any person or persons at any time after the saide first day  
of february next comming, shal maliciously, aduisedly, and directly,  
by writing, printyng, ouert dede or act, affirme that the kinges Maie-  
stie that now is, during the saide matrimonie, ought not to haue or  
enjoy soynely togethers with the queenes hyghnes, the stile, honour,  
and kingly name of this realme: or that any person or persons, beyng  
whether the king or the queenes maiestie that now is, during the  
said matrimony betwene them, ought to haue and enjoy the stile, ho-  
nour, and kingly name of this realme: or yf any person or persons  
after the sayd day by any writing, printyng, ouert dede, or acte, ma-  
liciously, aduisedly, and directly affirme, that the queenes Maiestie  
that now is, during her life is not, or ought not to be queene of this  
realme: or after her death, that the heires of her highnes body beyng  
kinges or queenes of this realme, of right ought not to haue and en-  
joy the imperiall crowne of this realme: or that any person or per-  
sons other then the queenes maiestie that now is, during her lyfe,  
or after her death, other then the heyres of her body begotten, beyng  
kinges or queenes of this realme, as long as any of her sayde heyres  
of her body shalbe in life, of ryght ought to haue and enioye the im-  
periall crowne of this realme: That then euery such offence, and offen-  
ces, shalbe adiudged high treason, and the offender & offenders therein,  
their abettours, procurers and counsellors, and all and euery theyr  
ayders and comforters, knowing the saide offences, or any of them  
to be done, being therof convicted or attainted by the lawes and sta-  
tutes of this realme, shalbe deemed and adiudged high traitors, and  
shall suffer paynes of death, and lose and forfeite al theyr goodes and  
cattels, landes and tenementes, to the queenes Maiestie, her heyres  
and successours, as in cases of hygh treason, as is abovesayde.

And

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And albeit we the Lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, haue some hope & confidence in the goodnes of almighty God, that yhe as he hath by other to miraculouſly preſerued the queeneſſe maieſtie from many great and imminent perils and dangers, even to the wil of his willful goodnes geue her highnes ſtrength, the rather by our continuall prayers, to paſſe well the danger of deliuerance of chylde, whereunto it hath pleaſed hym (to all our great comfortes) to bleſſe her. Yet ſo, as muche as all thynges of this worlde be brittle, and haueing before our eyes the dolorous experience of the incontinant government during the tyme of the raigne of the late kyng Edward the ſixte, do playnely ſee the manifolde incontinencies, great dangers and perils that may enſue to this whole realme, yf ſom tyme be not taken to prevent euill chaunces, yf they ſhould happen: for the ſche wyſe whereof, we the Lordes ſpirituall and temporall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, for a conſideration of a moſt ſpeciall truſt and confidence that we haue a repoſe in the kynges maieſtie, for and concerning the good and poliſſhe government, order, and adminiſtration of this realme in the tyme of the young yeres of the iſſue or iſſues of her maieſties body to be borne, yf it ſhould pleaſe God to call the queeneſſe highnes out of this preſent lyfe, during the tender yeres of ſuche iſſue or iſſues (whiche God forbid) accordinge to ſuche order and maner as hereafter in this preſent acte, his highnes moſte graciouſe pleaſure is, ſhoulde be declared and let forth: haue made our moſt humble ſuite by chaſſent of the queeneſſe highnes, that his maieſtie woulde vouchſafe to accept and take vpon hym the rule, order, education, and government of the ſayde iſſue or iſſues to be borne as is aforeſayde, vpon which our ſuite being of his ſaid maieſty moſt graciouſly accepted, it hath pleaſed his highnes not onely to declare, that like as for the firſt part his maieſtie verſly truſteth, that almighty God, who hath hitherto preſerued the queeneſſe maieſtie, to geue this realm ſo good an hope of certayne ſucceſſion in the blood royal of ſame realme: wil aſſiſt her highnes with his graces & benedictions to ſee the fruite of her body well brought forth, liue and able to gouerne, whereof neyther al this realme, ne al the worlde beſydes, ſhoulde or could receaue more comfort, then his maieſtie ſhoulde & woulde. Yet if ſuch chaunce ſhould happen, his maieſtie at our humble deſires, is pleaſed and contented, not alonely to accept and take vpon him the cure and charge of the education, rule, order and government of ſuch iſſues, as of this moſt happy marriage ſhalbe borne betwene the queeneſſe highnes and him: but alſo during the tyme of ſuche government, woulde by all wayes and meanes ſtudy, trauaile, and employ him ſelf to aduaunce the weale, both publiſhe and priuate of this realme, and dominion thereunto belonging, according to the ſaide truſte in his  
maieſtie



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maiestie reposed, with no lesse good will and affection, then yf his  
highnes had bene naturally borne among vs.

In consideration wherof, he is enacted by the kyng and the queenes moste excellent maiesties, by thassent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons of this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that yf it shall so please God to call the queenes maiestie out of this present lyfe, whiche God forsyd, before the issue of her body inheritable to the Crowne of this realme, yf it be male, shall accomplishe the age of .xviii. yerres, or yf it be female, before it shalbe of the age of .xv. yerres, and not married after the age of consent, and before the said age of .xv. yerres: That then and immediately after, and from the deceasse of our sayd soueraigne Ladye the queene, the kings maiestie that now is, shall haue the rule, order, education and government of the person of such issue or issues, and the rule, order, & government (vnder such issue or issues) of this realme, and the dominions to the same belongynge, vntyll the same issue or issues, inheritable to the imperiall Crowne of this Realme, yf it be male, shall accomplishe the full age of eyghtene yerres, and yf it be female, vntyll suche issue female, shall accomplishe the age of fyfteen yerres, and be married after the age of consent, and before the sayd age of fyfteen yerres, yf the sayde issue or issues, and our sayde soueraigne Lorde the kyng, shall so long liue together, and that duryng, and by all the time of such government, all, and euery the pactes, covenantes, articles, and agreementes, mentioned and comprised in the treatises, and acts of parliament, and euery of them, made, and concluded, for and concerning the honourable marriage, had and consummate betwene the kyng and queenes Maiesties, whiche on the behalfs of his maiestie bene to be obserued, performed and kepte, shall after the deceasse of the queenes Maiestie, duryng the tyme of the sayd government, remayne, continue, and be in as good and full force, strength, and effecte, to all intentes, and purposes, as they were at any tyme duryng the sayde marriage, or now bene, as yf they were newly by apte wordes, termes, and sentences, inserted and rehearsed in this present acte, and newly made and enacted to stande, remayne, continue, and to be obserued and kepte, duryng the tyme of the said government, and shalbe by his Maiestie, duryng the sayde tyme enuiolablie obserued, perfourmed, mayntayned, and byholden, in suche sorte, and in as full, large, and ample maner, to all respectes, as they shoulde and ought to be, during the tyme of the sayde marriage, or after: and his highnes, and the queenes moste excellent Maiestie, are pleased and contented, that it be enacted by this present parliament, that nothing shalbe done, permitted, or assented vnto by his Maiestie to the contrary.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that yf any person

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person or persons, during the tyme that our sayde soueraigne lord the king that nowe is, shall and ought to have the order, rule, education, and government of suche issue or issues, beinge wyng or queene of this realme, accordyng to the order and provision aforesayd, maliciously, advisedly, and directly, by writinge, printinge, uttering, or by any other way, do compass, attempte and go about to destroye the person of our sayde soueraigne lord, or do deprive or remove his sayde highnes from the order, rule, education, and government of the same issue or issues, beinge wyng or queene of this realme, contrary to the tenor, sentence, and true meaninge of this present Acte: that then every such person or persons so offending, their procurours and abettours, beinge therof lawfully convicted or attainted by the lawes of this realme, shall be deemed and adjudged highte traitours: and that all and every such offence and offences, shall be deemed and adjudged highte treason. And the offenders and offenders therein, theyr procurours, counsaillours, and abettours, shal incurr the dangers, forfeitures, and penalties of high treason. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesayd: that at trials hereafter to be had, awarded, or made, for any treason, shal be had, and used onely, accordyng to the due order and course of the common lawes of this realme, and not other wyse: savinge to every person and persons, bodies politique and corporate, theyr heyres and successours, other then the offenders, and theyr heyres, and such petition and persons as clayme to any of the byles all suche rightes, titles, interestes, possessions, leases, rentes, reversiones, offices, and other profits, whiche they or any of them shall have at the day of the committinge such treason, or at any tyme aforesaid, in as large and ample maner, as if this Acte had never been had or made. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesayd, that conceytinge, or keepinge, secretes of anye highte treason, be deemed and taken onely misprision of treason, & the offenders therein to forfeit, and suffer, as in cases of misprision of treason hath hertofore ben used: any thyng above mentioned, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided also, that if it shall fortune hereafter any of the peeres of this realme to be indicted of any of the offences made treason or misprision of treason by this acte, that then the same peeres or peere, so beinge indicted, shall be put to answer unto every such indictment, before the high Ste ward of Englande for the tyme beinge, and to have his and their triall by his and their peeres, and to receive and have suche like judgement upon the same trial of his or their peeres, or makinge open confession of the same offence, or offences, as is used in other cases of high treason.

And it is further enacted by authority aforesayd, that no person

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son or persons shall in any wyse be impeached for any of the offences abovesayd, committed only by open preaching or wordes, buttlesse the offender or offenders be therfore indicted within sixe monethes, next after the same open preaching or wordes: any thing contained in this Acte to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is provided alwayes, and be it enacted by theauctoritie aforesayde, that upon the arraignment of any person, which hereafter shall fortune to be arraigned for any treason, mentioned in this acte, all and every such person or persons, or two of them at the least, as shall hereafter wyse, declare, confesse, or depose any thing or thinges agaynst the person to be arraigned, shall, yf they be then living, & within the realme, be brought forth in person before the partie arraigned, yf he require the same, and obiecte, and saye openly, in his hearing, what they or any of them can agaynst him, for, or concerning any the treasons conteyned in the indictment, whereupon the partie shalbe so arraigned, buttlesse the partie arraigned for any suche treason, shall willingly confesse the same at the time of his, or their arraignment.

It is provided neuertheles, and be it enacted by theauctoritie aforesayd, that in all cases of high treason, concerning coyne curraunt within this realme, or for counterfeyting the kyng or queenes signet, pryue seale, great seale, or signe manuell, suche manner of triall, and none other be observed and kept as heretofore hath ben used by the common lawes of this realme: anye lawe, statute, or anye other thing, or thinges to the contrary notwithstanding.

It is provided alwayes, that the counsellours, procurers, comforters, and abettours, for his or their first offence, shal suffer like punishment, penaltie, and forfeiture, as is conteined in this acte agaynst the principall offendours for their first offence, and none other. And that the counsellours, procurers, comforters, and abettours, for his, or theyr seconde offence, shal suffer the like punishment, penaltie, & forfeiture, as is conteined in this acte against the principall offendour, or offendours for their second offence, and none other.

¶ An Acte for the punishment of bringing in of counterfeyte coyne of forraine Realmes, being curraunt within this Realme.

¶ The .xi. Chapter.



Where diuers and sundrye copyes of golde and syluer of other realmes, not being of the proper coine of this realme of Englande, and yet by the sufferance, & consent of the kyng and queene our soueraigne Lorde and Lady, be curraunt in paiement within this realme, many ylle disposed persons for their owne corrupte

gaine,



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lucre and aduantage, haue nowe of late brought into this realme, from the parties of beyonde the sea, greate quantitie of forged and counterfayte money, lyke to the sayde coyne of other sovereyne realmes, and haue vttered the same here by marchaundising and other wyse, to diuers of the subiectes of this realme, to their great discept, hurt & damage, because of the sayde ill disposed persons haue perceaued and vnderstanded, that there was not, nor yet is anye sufficient lawe or statute made or provided for the condigne punishment of the offendours in that behalfe.

wherefore be it enacted and established by the auctoritie of this present Parliament, that yf any person or persons after the twentie daye of Januarie nexte commyng, shall bring from the parties of beyonde the sea into this realme, or into anye the dominions of the same, anye suche false and counterfeyte coyne of money, beyng curraunt within this realme as is aforesaid, knowing the same coyne or money to be false and counterfeyte, to thintent to vtter, or make payment with the same within this realme, or anye the dominions of the same, by marchaundising or other wyse, that al and euery such person or personnes so offendyng as is aforesaid, their counsailours, procurers, aydours and abbettours in that behalfe, shalbe demed and iudged to be offendours in high treason, and shall suffer after lawefull conuiction or attaynder therof, such paynes of death, losse and forfeyture of landes, goodes, and cattelles, as other offendours shall do, in cases of high treason.

And be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that all and euery person and persons, that shall at any time after the sayde .xx. daye of Januarie, be accused or impeched of any of the offences contained and provided for in this estatute, or of anye other offence or offences, concerning the impayring, counterfayting, or forging of anye coyne curraunte within this realme, shall and maye be endicted, arreyned, tryed, conuicted, or attaynted by suche lyke euidence, and in such maner and fourme as hath ben vsed & accustomed within this realme, at anye time before the fyrst yere of the raigne of our late soveraigne lord kyng Edward the fyrte: any statute, custome, lawe, or vsage to the contrary thereof in any wyse notwithstanding.

¶ An Acte for the impoundyng of distresse.

## ¶ The .xii. Chapter.



Of the auoydyng of greuous vexacions, exactions, troubles, and disorder in takyng of distresses, and impounding of cattell, be it enacted by auctoritie of this presente Parliamente, that from and after the fyrst daye of Aprill nexte commyng, no distresse of cattell shalbe dyg-  
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ten out of the hundred, rape, wapentake, or lathe, where suche distres-  
ses is, or shalbe taken, except it be to apounde, ouert within the sayde  
Shyre, not aboue thre miles distaunt from the place where the said  
distresse is taken, and that no cattell, or other goodes distrayned, or  
taken by waye of distresse, for any maner of cause, at one time shall  
be impounded in seueral places, wherby the owner or owners of such  
distresse shalbe constrained to sue seuerall repleuis for the deliuerie of  
the said distresse, so taken at one time, vpon payne euery person offen-  
ding contrary to this acte, shall forseypte to the partie greued for eue-  
rye suche offences, a hundred shillings, and treble damages.

And further be it enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that after the  
saide fyrst day of Aprill, no person or persons shall take for keepyng in  
pound, impounding, or pondage of anye maner distresse aboue the  
summe of. iiii. pence for any one whole distresse, that shalbe so imposi-  
ded, and where lesse hath ben bled, there to take lesse, vppon the payne  
of fyue pound to be payd to the partie greued, ouer and besides suche  
money as he shall take aboue the summe of foure pence. Any vsage or  
prescription to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

And for the more speedier deliuerie of cattell, taken by waye of di-  
stresse, it is further enacted by the saide auctoritie, that euery She-  
riffe of Shyres, beyng no citiees nor towne, made Shyres, shall at his  
first countie day, or within two monethes nexte after he hath recea-  
ued his patent of his office of Sherifwike, shall depute, appoint, & pro-  
clayme in the Shyre towne within his bayliwike, foure deputies at  
the least, dwelling not aboue twelue miles one distant from another,  
whiche saide deputies so appoynted and proclaymed, shall haue auc-  
thorite in the Sheriffes name to make repleuis and deliuerance of  
such distresses, in such maner and forme, as the Sheriffe may or ought  
to do, vpon payne that euery Sheriffe, for euery moneth that he shall  
lacke suche deputie or deputies, shall forseypte for euery suche offence  
fyue poundes, the one halfe of which forseyptures shalbe to the kyng  
and queenes highnes, her heyres and successours, the other halfe to  
hym that wyl sue for the same by byl, playnt, information, or action  
of debt, in any the kyng and queenes courtes of recorde, in whiche no  
elloigne, protection, nor wager of lawe shalbe admitted.

An Acte appoynting an order to Iustices of peace touching  
the baylement of prisoners.

The. xiii. Chapter.

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# Philippi & Mariæ. fol.xxix.



Here in the parliament holden at Westminter, in the.iii.  
 yere of the raigne of the noble prince, kynge Henrye the  
 seventh, it was among other thinges ordeined and enac-  
 ted, that no prisoner arrested for felonye, shoulde be letten  
 to haile or mainpryse by any one Justice of peace, but by  
 the whole Justices, or at least by two of them, wherof one to be of the  
 Quorum: since the making of which estatute, one Justice of peace in  
 the name of him selfe and one other of the Justices his compaignon,  
 not making the saide Justice party, nor prync into the cause where-  
 fore the prisoner shoulde be bayled, hath often times by sinister labour  
 and meanes, set at large the greatest and notablist offenders; such as  
 be not replevisable by the lawes of this realme, and yet the rather  
 to hide their affections in that behalfe, haue signified the cause of  
 their apprehension to be but only for suspicion of felonye, wherby the  
 saide offendours hath escaped unpunished, and do daily, to the hygh  
 displeasure of almyghtie God, the great perill of the kyng and Quee-  
 nes true subiectes, and encouragement of all theeves, and euill doers.  
 For reformation wherof, be it ordeyned and enacted by the Kyng  
 and Queenes maiesties, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the  
 commons in this present parliament assembled, and by authoryty of  
 the same, that from, and after the first day of April nexte commynge,  
 no Justice, or Justices of peace, shall let to haile or maynepryse anye  
 suche person or persons, which for any offence or offences, by them or  
 anye of them committed, be declared not to be replevisable or bayled;  
 or be forbidden to be repleued, or bayled by the estatute of Westminter.  
 primer, made in the parliament holden in the thirde yere of the  
 raigne of kyng Edward the first. And furthermore, that any per-  
 son or personnes arrested for manslaughter or felonye, or suspicion of  
 manslaughter or felonye, being bayleable by the lawe, shall not after  
 the said firste daye of April, be let to haile or maynepryse by any Ju-  
 stices of peace, yf it be not in open Sessions, excepte it be by two Ju-  
 stices of peace at the least, wherof one to be of the Quorum, and the  
 same Justices to be present together, at the tyme of the sayd baylment  
 or mainpryse, which baylment or mainpryse they shall certifie in writ-  
 tyng, subscribed, or signed with their owne handes, at the next gene-  
 rall gaole deliuey, to be holden within the countie where the sayde  
 person or persons shalbe arrested or suspected. And that the sayde Ju-  
 stices, or one of them being of the Quorum, when anye suche prisoner is  
 brought before them for any manslaughter or felonye, before anye  
 baylment or maynepryse, shall take the examination of the sayd pri-  
 soner, and information of them that bringe him, of the fact, and cir-  
 cumstances therof, and the same, or as much therof, as shalbe mate-  
 rial to proue the felonye, shall put in writinges before they make the  
 same baylment, whiche sayd examination together with the sayde  
 baylment,



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baylement, the sayde Justices shall certifie at the next generall gaole deliuerie to be holden within the limittes of their commission, and that every Coroner, vpon any inquisition before hym founde, where by any person or persons shalbe indict for murther, or man slaughter, or as accessary, or accessaries to the same, before the murther or man slaughter committed, shall put in wryting the effecte of the euidence geuen to the Iurie before him, being materiall, and aswell the sayde Justices as the sayde Coroner, shall haue auctoritie by this Acte, to bind all such by recognisaunce, or obligation, as do declare any thing materiall, to proue the said murther or manslaughter, offences, or felonies, or to be accessary, or accessaries to the same, as is aforesaide, to appeare at the nexte generall gaole deliuerie to be holden within the countie, citie, or towne corporate, where the triall therof shalbe, then and there to geue euidence agaynst the partie so indicted at the tyme of his triall, and shall certifie aswell the same euidence, as such bond, and bonds in wryting, as he shall take, together with the inquisition or indictment before him taken and found, at, or before the tyme of his said triall therof, to be had or made: and likewise, the sayde Justices shall certifie all and every suche bonde taken before them, in lyke manner as before is said of baylementes and examination. And in case any Justice of peace, of Quorrs, or Coroner, shall after the sayd first day of Aprill, offende in any thing contrary to the true intente and meaning of this present Acte: that then the Justices of gaole deliuerie of the Shire, citie, towne, or place, where such offence shall happen to be committed, vpon due profe thereof, by examination before them, shall for every suche offence, set suche fine on every of the same Justices of peace and Coroner, as the same Justices of gaole deliuerie shall thinke mete, and estrete the same as other fines and amerciamentes assessed before Justices of gaole deliuerie ought to be.

Provided alwayes, and be it further enacted by thauthoritie aforesaid, that Justices of peace, and Coroners within the citie of London, and the countie of Middlesex, and in other cities, boroughes, & townes corporate within this realme and isles, shall within their severall iurisdictionis, haue auctoritie to let to bayle, fellows & prisoners in suche maner and fourme, as they haue ben heretofore accustomed, this act, or any thing therein contained, to the contrary notwithstanding: And also shall take examinations and bondes, as is aforesayd, vpon every baylement by them or any of them to be made, and shall certifie every such baylementes, bondes, and examinations, by them or any of them taken or made, at the next gaole deliuerie to be holden within the shire, citie, borough, or towne, where their severall iurisdictionis extendeth, vpon like payne and forfeiture, as is before limited in this present Acte.

And be it also enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that no wryters

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of Habeas corpus, or Certiorari, shalbe hereafter graunted to remoue any prisoner out of any gaole, to remoue any recognisance, except the same writtes be signed with the proper handes of the cheefe Justice, or in his absence, one of the Justices of the courte, out of whiche the same writtes shalbe awarded, or made, upon payne that he that writteth any such writtes, not being signed as is aforesayde, to forseyte to our sayd soweraigne Lord the King and the Queene, for every suche writte and writtes, five poundes.

¶ An Acte for the makynge of Russell sattens reuerfes, and fustian of Naples, in Norwiche.

## ¶ The. xiiii. Chapter.



Here of late yeres passed, russels, called russelles sattens, and sattens reuerfes, haue ben practised to be made beyonde the seas, of the woolls bred in the countie of Norfolke, and by reason thereof, so greate quantitie of the saide russelles sattens, sattens reuerfes, haue ben brought into this Realme, sold and worne as well in euery parte of this Realme, as in the parties beyonde the seas, that thereby the mysteries of worstedes makynge and weauinge, whereby marchauntes and inhabitauntes of the cite of Norwiche haue heretofore ben well mayntayned and relieved, is now at this present almost wholly decayed and brought out of estimation, and verie litle worne, either within this realme, or in any other forrain realmes, to the great hinderaunce and decay of the saide cite, and Citezens of the same Cite. For remedie whereof, Thomas Warham, Bishop of the cite of Norwiche, John Corbet Esquier, Auden Steuarde, Robert Leche, Robert Rugges, John Ball, and Alexander Wather, Aldermen of the sayde Cite, Thomas Mahale, Thomas Deche, Raphe Warham, Robert Henry, John Sutton, Richard Comson, Citezens and marchauntes of the sayde Cite, at their greate costes and charges, as wel in byrting of certayne strangers from the parts beyonde the seas into the sayde cite, as also in making of Lombes, and al other prouision for the same, and also haue called vnto them eight persons of the most discrete and worthy men of the myserie of worstede weauing, within the saide cite, that is to say, John Cooke, James Lin, John Crosse, Simon Petit, John Barthol, Roger Leche, Edmund Barker, and Edmund Selers, beyng the number of .xviij. persons, which haue not only made Russells Sattens, and Sattens Reuerfes, and fustian of Naples within the saide cite of Norwiche of Norfolke woolls, but also haue learned and taught other citezens and inhabitauntes of the sayd cite to make the same, in such good and perfect

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fect maner, that muche better Russells Sattens, Sattens reuerles, and fustian of Naples, and such like, and for easier prices, be now at this present wrought and made within the said citie, then heretofore hath bene, or now be made in anye of the parties beyonde the seas; wherby the said citie, and inhabitauntes therof, may and be in like a gayne to be relieved and brought to the olde estate, to the greate aduancement of the commodities of this realme, and enriching the same, yf some good and politike lawes and ordinaunces were made for the good continuance of the true making of the sayde Russelles Sattens, Sattens Reuerles, and fustian of Naples, and suche like.

In consyderation whereof, be it enacted by the assente of the kyng and queenes highnes, the Lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons of this present Parliament assembled, & by thauthoritie of the same, that the said Russells sattens, & Sattens reuerles, and fustian of Naples hereafter to be made only within the saide citie, may from henceforth beare the name, & be called by the name of Norwiche sattens, and Norwiche fustians: and that the Maior, and the afore mentioned citezins of the same citie, which befoze this time hath ben at the costes and charges of the bynging of the said straungers into the same citie, for the making of the said Russells sattens, Sattens reuerles, and fustian of Naples, and suche the afore mentioned eight persons that they haue called vnto them, shalbe a felowship of the felues, and shall perelye the thirde day of february, choose of their felowes foure wardens within the guilde hall of the sayd citie, or anye other common and comenient place in the same Citie: and the same wardens so being chosen, shall stande and be wardens of the same felowship during one whole yere, next ensuing the sayde election, and that the same wardens after the saide election, shall come befoze the Maior of the sayd citie for the tyme being, yerely the Munday next after the sayde thirde day of februarie, and befoze the sayde Maior shalbe sworn diligently to vie we, searche, & see al the Russells sattens, Sattens reuerles, and fustian of Naples, then made, or that shall be made within the sayde citie, during the sayde yere. And suche of the sayde Russells sattens, Sattens reuerles, & fustian of Naples, as shal appeare and be demed by them to be lawfully, truly & workmanly wrought, shall seale with a seale of lead, bearyng the armes of the Citie of Norwich, wherby it may be knowen to the marchaunt or buyer of them, that the same be allowed, and truly made.

And that also it may be enacted by the aucthoritie afore sayde, that the sayd wardens and felowshippe shalbe a bodye corporate, and to be named, and be enabled by this act, to sue, and be sued, and to geue, and to take by the name of wardens and felowshippe of the mysterie of Russells sattens, Sattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwich making within the sayde Citie of Norwich. And yf any default at anye tyme shalbe



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shalbe found in any of the said Russels lattens, lattens reuerles, & fustian of Norwiche, or in any of them by the sayde wardens, that the same defaults shalbe reformed; and the offenders or offenders therein to be punished according to such rules and ordinaunces, as hereafter from time to time shalbe made within the said citie, by the Maior of the said citie for the time being, and by the sayde four wardens, and the fellowship of the sayde occupation or mystery, or the greatest number of the sayde fellowship, for, and concerning the same, and that the same defaultes from time to time, as occasion shal serue, shal be enquired of, and tryed, for the Maior of the said citie of Norwiche, for the time being, by the othes of twelve honest men of the foresayde fellowship. And that the sayde four wardens so chosen and sworn, shall haue full power and authoritie, to do, execute, present, and reforme all and singular thing and thinges, of, for, and concerning the said mystery, making, working and occupying of the said Russels lattens, lattens reuerles, & fustian of Norwiche within the said citie, in suche maner and forme as shal by the sayde ordinaunces shalbe expessed and declared, and that all times hereafter, and from time to time, it shalbe lawfull to the Maior of the said citie for the time being, and to the forenamed fellowship and wardens of the same mystery, and the more part of them, & to their successors, to make and ordeine from time to time, rules, lawes, and ordinaunces meete and necessary for the good order and gouernaunces of the sayde mystery, and for the true and wel making of the said Russels lattens, lattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwiche, and the same ordinaunces so made, to be at al times obeyed by al inhabitants of the said citie, or suburbs of the same, and to be put in due execution by the said Maior and wardens, and their successors for the time being, in such maner and forme as by the said ordinaunce shalbe ordeyned and declared: And that such as now be & that hereafter shalbe makers of the said Russels lattens, lattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwiche, & euery of them within the said citie, shal not from henceforth occupy the said mystery & making of the said russels lattens, lattens reuerles, & fustian of Norwiche, nor any of them within the said citie by them selues, or by any other, before he or they occupying the sayde mystery within the said citie be made free of the said citie, and admitted to be of the said fellowship by the Maior of the said citie, and wardens and fellowship of the said mystery for the time being. And that no person do occupie by him selfe or any other for him out of the sayde citie, the sayde mystery of making of Russels lattens, lattens reuerles, and fustians of Naples, or any of them, before he or they so occupying the same, haue bene prentice to the sayde mystery by the terme of seven yeres, or els admitted by the sayde Maior and fellowship, or the more part of them, bypon payne of forfeiture of the same

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russels sattens, sattens reuerles, fustian of Norwich, by them or any of them to be made contrary to the forme of this Acte. Provided alwayes and be it enacted by the auctorite aforesayde, that the said Mayor and wardens for the time being, shall not take any summe of money, or reward to their owne proper uses, for the admitting of any person or persons to occupy the sayd mystery, upon paine of forfeiting of treble the value of the rewarde or summe of money so by them or any of them to be taken.

Provided also, that it shall be lawfull to the sayde wardens, and to every of them for the time being, by al waies and meanes, & at al lawfull times, diligently from time to time, to make search by one or ordinary wayes, for al maner of the said russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwich, that shall happen to be found by them defective, for lacke of good and true workmanship. And that it shall be lawfull to the sayde wardens & every of them for the time being, by vertue of this act, to seale & take the said russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustian, and bring and present the same clothes so sealed & taken to the Mayor of the said citie for the time being, & unto his successors, to thintent that twelve honest, lawfull, & expert men of the sayd mystery and felowship, being sworn before the sayde Mayor, may by vertue of theyr othes, make inquiry, and present the maner of the said defaultes before the sayd Mayor for the tyme being, according to such good and holsome ordinances and rules as shall be ordeyned and made for the conservation & good continuance of the said occupation and mystery, and the true making & working of the saide russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustians of Norwich. And that al & every person and persons, that shall occupy, use and exercise the said mystery of making of the said russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustians of Norwich, or any of them, contrary to the fourme, tenor, playne meaning, and intent of this act, & of the rules and ordinances, that at any time hereafter by auctorite of this act shall be ordeyned and made for the continuance of true and perfect making of the saide russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwich, shall forfeit and lose for every time so offending, or making any russels sattens, sattens reuerles, and fustian of Norwich, contrary to the meaning, tenor and effect of the sayd act, rules, and ordinances, concerning the same, suche fines, amerciamentes, and paines as shall be adiudged, assessed, and ascertained by twelve expert men of the said felowship upon theyr othes, the same twelve persons to be sworn before the said Mayor and wardens to enquire and make true verdict, and presentment of such defaultes, the one halfe of which forfeiture to be to the Mayor of the sayde citie for the time being, & his successors, & thother moitie to the sayde wardens for the time being, & their successors, by action of debt, bill, plaint, or informatio, in any court of record, in which action, bill, plaint or information,

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formation, no wager of law, protection, indenture, or forren ple, that  
be allowed. And in case it shall so come hereafter, that any of the said  
russels lattens, lattens reueres, and sustian of Dorsetch shall lacke of  
such lengthes and bredthes, or of the due and ensuynge making or for-  
ting of the parne, as shalbe appointed and set forth by the said rules &  
ordinaunces, and the same to be found defective by verdict of twelue  
men of the said felowshyp before the said Mayor & wardens, and theyr  
successors: That then the said russels lattens, lattens reueres, & susti-  
ans of Daples, and euery of them so found defective, to be cut in two  
peeces, and to pay such fine or fines as shalbe assayed and assayed by the  
saide twelue experthe men by vertue of thes or thes, the one moitie of  
which fine or fines to be to the Mayor of the said cite for the time be-  
ing, and to his successors, and the other moitie to the wardens of the  
said felowshyp for the time being, and to theyr successors. And also  
provided alwaies and be so further enacted by thanchositie afores-  
sayde, that if any marden or wardens for the time being, of the sayde  
mysterie or occupation of making russels lattens, lattens reueres,  
and sustian of Daples, shall at any time hereafter seale, or cause to be  
sealed any russels lattens, lattens reueres, or sustian of Daples, that  
shal not be wel sufficient, and truly wrought, and made according to  
the true intent and meaning of this present act, shal forfeite & lose for  
euery pece so sealed, being not wel sufficient, and truly wrought &  
made, the whole value of euery such pece so sealed, thone half of whi-  
che for seitures, to be to the kyng and queenes maiesties, her heires  
and successors, and the other moitie thereof to be to such person and per-  
sons as shall sue for the same by byll, action, or information, in any of  
the kinges courtes of record: in which byll, action, or information, no  
essoigne, protection, or wager of lawe shalbe allowed.

## An Acte to confirme the liberties of the lord

### Marchers in VVales.

#### The .xv. Chapter.

**H**umbly beseeching your excellent maiesties, your true and  
faythfull subiectes, the lordes Marchers both spirituall  
and temporall, within your highnesse dominion of wa-  
les, that where as in the parliament holden at westm.  
the .xxvii. yere of the raigne of kyng Henry the eight, sa-  
ther vnto you our naturall Soueraigne lady, amongst other thyn-  
ges one act was made and established for lawes and iustice to be mi-  
nistred in the said dominion of wales, in like forme as it is in this  
realme of Englande, in the which act one article is, that for that the  
lordes Marchers before the parliament had bled to put theyr tenan-  
tes



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tes within the lordships marchers under common manerprice and  
 suertie of apparance, and have had the forseyturs thereof, which for  
 ever from and after the feast of all saintes, then next ensuing the said  
 parliament, shoulde better be used, and be determined. It was enacted  
 that after the said feast of all saintes, every lay and temporall person  
 then being a lord marcher, shoulde have the moitie or halfe of every  
 forseyture of all and every common manerprice, recognizance for  
 peace or apparance, forseyted by any of the tenants inhabiting  
 within any of the lordships marchers, and they to be paid the same  
 moitie or halfe by the handes of the Sheriffe of every of the counties  
 where such forseyture shalbe, if the Sheriffe can leuy the same, & the  
 same Sheriffe to accompt to our saide late soueraigne lord the kyng  
 for the other halfe or moitie, in such order as they can be accompt  
 tant. And further it was enacted by thatexecutive aforesayde, that al  
 and every lay and temporall person or persons, then being lords mar  
 chers, and having any lordships marchers, or lordships royall, shoulde  
 from and after the sayd feast of all saintes, have all suche myles and  
 profittes of the tenants, as they have had or bled to have at the  
 first entry into the lands firstynies past. And also shoulde have, hold,  
 and kepe, within the precinct of the lordshippes, courtes Baron,  
 courtes leze, and landayes, and al and every thing to the said courtes  
 belonging, and also shoulde have within the precinct of the said lord  
 shippes, or landayes, waite, strait, infangthefe, outfangthefe, treasure tro  
 vir, beddardes, goodes and cattels of felons, and of persons condemn  
 ed of outlawed of felony or murder, put in exigent for felony or  
 murder, and also wheche deemer, warfage, and customes of stran  
 gers, as they have had in tyme past, as though such privileges, grant  
 ed unto them by point of charter, any thing in that acte to the con  
 trary notwithstanding, as in the sayde acte of parliament moze at  
 large it may appeare.

And forasmuch as bishops, and other ecclesiasticall persons being  
 lordes marchers, having the like liberties, casualties, profittes, and  
 commodities within the lordships marchers, and lordships royall,  
 within the said dominion or principallitie of wales, wer not provided  
 by the expresse letter of the sayde statute, in lyke sorte as the laye and  
 temporall lordes marchers were, but rather of purpose as it shoulde  
 seme forgotten and left out of the said acte, against al reason and good  
 equitie: And forasmuch also as the heyres and succours of the laye  
 and temporall lordes marchers then being were not provided for by  
 the limitation and expresse wordes of the sayde acte, as well as their  
 annexes & predecessers were, as reason would they shoulde have ben.

It may please your majesties of your most gracious favour and  
 benigntie, at the humble suite and supplication of your said faithful  
 subiectes, the lordes marchers that now are, in the said dominion of  
 wales

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wailes, both spirituall & tempozal, to graunt that it may by thassent of the lordes spirituall and tempozal, & the commons in this present parliament assembled, be ordeyned, established, and enacted, by thauthoritie of this present parliament, that as well your said spirituall, & ecclesiastical subiectes, lordes marchers, now having lordshippes marchers, or lordships roial in wailes aforesaid, and their successours, and the successours of euery of them: as also the heyres & successours of the lordes tempozall marchers that then were, or now be, and the heyres or successours of euery of them being, or which hereafter shall be lordes marchers within their lordships marchers, and lordships roiall in the dominion or principallitie of wailes, shal haue and enjoy to them, and to their heyres & successours, respectiuelly and seuerally for euer the moity & half of euery forfetture, of al & euery common mainprise, recognisance for the peace, or apparauce, forfeited by any the tenants inhabiting within any of their lordships marchers, or lordships roial, and they to be payd the same moitie, or half, by the hands of the Sheriffe of the county for the time being, after such tourne and fozt as the sayd lay or tempozall lordes marchers haue ben or ought to haue ben payd the same, by force of the sayde Statute.

And further, shal haue all such mises, & profitcs of their tenants, as the lordes marchers, spirituall or tempozall, respectiuelly or seuerally had or bled to haue at their fyrr entry into their lands in tymes past before the making of the said acte or Statute. And also shal haue, hold, and kepe within the precinct of their said lordships, al such courts baron, courtes lete, and lawdaies, and all and euery thing and thinges to the same courtes belonging: & also shal haue within the precinct of their said seuerall lordships, or lawdaies, al suche wayt, strait, inlangthese, outlangthese, treasure trouis, deodandes, goodes, and catels of fellons, and of persons condemned, or outlawed of felony, or murther, put in exigent for felony or murther, & also al suche wrechdener, wharlage, and customes of strangers as the lordes marchers spirituall and tempozall, respectiuelly, and seuerally had and bled in tymes past, before the making of the sayde Statute.

¶ An Acte for the continuance of certaine Statutes.

¶ The xvi. Chapter.



Herein the parliament begon & holden at London the iiii. day of November, in the xxi. yere of the raigne of our most dread soveraigne lord of most famous memory, king Henry theight, and from thence adourned to westm. & there holden and continued by diuers prorogacions unto the dissolutions thereof, one act was made and established for the restraint of cariage, and conueyinge of horses and mares out of this realme,

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realme, and also one other act was then made for the true winding of  
woles, and one other act was there made to restraine killing of wayn-  
lings, bullocks, stiers, & heifers, being vnder thage of. ii. yeres, which  
said seuerall actes were then made to endure and continue to the next  
parliament, as by the said seuerall actes more plainly appeareth: and  
wher also in the said parliament, one other act was made & established  
for attayntes to be sued for the punishment of periury, vpon vntrue  
verdictes, which actes last before reherled, were then made & ordeined  
to continue and endure to the last day of the next parliament, as by  
the same acte more plainly at large is shewed and may appeare: and  
where also in the parliament begon and holden at west. the. viii. day  
of June in the. xxviii. yere of the raigne of our sayde most dread soue-  
raigne lord king Henry the. viii. and there continued and kept vnto  
the dissolution therof, it was ordeined and enacted, that al and singu-  
ler the sayd actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, should conti-  
nue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued and  
kept vntil the last day of the next parliament, as by the same acte a-  
monges other thinges therein contained more plainly appeareth: and  
where also in the parliament begon and holden at west. the. xxviii.  
day of Aprill, in the. xxvi. yere of the raigne of our sayd late most dread  
soueraigne lord king Henry theight, and there continued vntill the  
xxviii. day of June then next folowynge, it was ordeined and enacted  
by thauthoritie of the same parliament, that al and singuler the said  
seuerall actes aboue remembred, and euery of them, and all clauses,  
articles, and prouisions in them and euery of them contained, should  
continue and endure in their force and strength, and also be obserued  
and kept vntill the last day of the next parliament, as by the same act  
amonges other thinges therein conteyned, more playnely appeareth:  
And where in the parliament holden at westm. in the. xxv. yere of  
the raigne of our sayde late soueraigne lord king Henry theight, one  
act was made for the preservation of woods, to endure for. vii. yeres  
then next folowynge, and from thence to the end of the next parliament,  
as by the same act more plainly both and may appeare: and wher al-  
so at the parliament holden at west. in the. xxviii. yere of the raigne  
of the sayde king Henry theight, and there continued and kept vntill  
the dissolution therof, it was ordeined and enacted, that al and singu-  
ler the said actes aboue mentioned, and euery of them, except the said  
act made for the preservation of woods, as is aforesaid, should conti-  
nue and endure in their force & strength, and also to be obserued and  
kept vntill the last day of the next parliament then folowynge, as by  
the same act amonges other thinges therein contained more plainly ap-  
peareth: and wher also at the session of the parliament ended at west.  
in the. xiii. day of March, in the third yere of the raigne of our soue-  
raigne lord king Edward the sixt, one acte was made of the true cur-  
ryng of leather, which act was made to endure to the end of the next  
parliament



# Philippi & Mariæ. fol. xxxiiii.

parliament, as by the same act more plainly appeareth. And where also at the session of a Parliament ended at west. the fyrst day of february, in the fourth yere of the raigne of our saide late Soueraigne lord king Edward the. vi. one act was then & there made, concerning the buying of rother beastes: and also one other acte was then and there made, touching the buying and selling of butter & chese, whiche said seuerall actes were then and there made to endure and continue to the end of the next parliament, as by the same seuerall actes more at large it doth & may appeare: And where also at the session of a parliament by prorogation holden at west. the. xxiij. day of Januarye in the fift yere of þe raigne of our said soueraigne lord, one other act was then and there made, against regratours and foreshallers, to endure to the end of the next parliament, which all and singuler the sayde actes aboue mentioned, together with the saide act concerning the preservation of woods, at a parliament holden at west. the fyrst day of March in the. vii. yere of the raigne of our sayde soueraigne lord hyng Edward the. vi. and there continued, & dissolved the last day of the same moneth of March, and all clauses, articles, and prouissions in them and euerye of them conteyned, were there reuised and continued to stand in their force and strength, vntill the last day of the next parliament: And where also at the session of a parliament holden by prorogation at west. the. xxiij. day of October, in þe first yere of the raigne of our most gracious soueraigne lady the queene, and there continued and kept vntill the dissolution thereof, one act was there made and established agaynst unlawfull and rebellious assemblies, to endure to the end of the next parliament, as by the same acte more plainly doth and may appeare: And where also at the same session of parliament, last before mentioned, al and singuler the acts aboue mentioned, and before that time continued at sundry parlamentes, as is aforesayde, & all clauses, articles, and prouissions in them and euery of them conteyned, were there reuised and continued to stande in their force and strength, vnto the last day of the next parliament. Forasmuch as all and singuler the said seuerall actes aboue mentioned, be good and beneficiall for the common wealch of this realme: he it therefore enacted, ordeyned, and established by the king and queene our soueraigne lord and ladye, with thassent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the comons in this present parliament assembled, and by thauthoritie of the same, that all and singuler the seuerall actes and estatutes aboue mentioned & rehearsed, and euery of them, and al clauses, articles, and prouissions in them and euery of them conteyned, shalbe reuised, continued, stand and endure in their force and strength, to all intentes, constructions, and purposes, and shalbe obserued and kepte in all thynges, vntyl the last day of the next parliament.

# Anno primo & secundo

An Acte touchyng leases hereafter to be made by  
certayne spirituall persons.

## The .xxiii. Chapter.



Here in the parliament begon and holden at westm.  
the eight day of June, in the .xxiii. yere of the raigne  
of our late kyng of famous memorie, Henry the eighth,  
and there continued and kept until the dissolution of  
the same parliament, the .xxiii. day of June nexte  
folowing, one acte intituled: an acte for restitution of  
the byll frutes in the time of vacation, to the next incumbent, was  
had and made, wherein are certayne clauses for leases then made, and  
to be made by spirituall and ecclesiasticall persons, to endure, and be  
in force for tearme of .vi. yeres, yf the incumbentes dyd resigne theyr  
sayde spirituall promotions, or yf the same should otherwyle become  
boorde by thonly acte of the same thincumbentes, as by the same acte  
more at large may appeare. To thintent the persons and bicars, and  
other having cure of soules may the better attende, and be the more  
biglaunt in their mystry, and function: Be it enacted by the kyng  
our soueraigne Lord, and by the queene our soueraigne Ladye, with  
the assent of the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons  
in this present parliament assembled, and by auctorite of the same,  
that anye lease, or any clause, sentence, provision, or article therein  
conteyned, shall extend, or be construed, or adiudged to extend to any  
lease, that shall be made by any parson, bicar, or any other having any  
spirituall promotion, after the feast of the purification of our Ladye  
next comming.

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